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### THEIR VERSION.

#### STRIKE PICKETS "FALL PROSTRATE."

##### BORDER INCIDENT REPORT.

Canton's version of the border incident in which two European police sergeants went to the rescue of some railway employees of the British section, who fell into strikers' hands, is: "From time to time, the British soldiers in Shumchun challenge the pickets and attempt to provoke hostilities. In the evening of the 11th inst., seven pickets, after training in Shatauk, returned to Shumchun taking with them three arrested men who attempted to leave for Hongkong. On their way they were unexpectedly fired at by the British soldiers from a hill in the British territory. The pickets could not but fall prostrate on the ground and for their own defence, they returned the fire. At length the pickets who were outnumbered by the British soldiers, retreated. Fortunately none of the pickets was wounded."

#### ROBOT ARRESTED.

##### GERMAN'S MISTAKE AT SWATOW.

##### ALLEGED EXPERT BOMBER.

Said to have all the accomplishments of a Robot, a German has been arrested at Swatow, reports the "Wah Tsz Yat Po's" correspondent.

A steamer arrived there from Bangkok and the passengers had to land as it was not going on to Canton for which it was at first bound. This foreigner—believed to be a German—walked to military headquarters formerly occupied by a Red general but now in the possession of Chan Kwing-min's general. He handed in a card and photo of General Hau Shung-chi, inquiring for him and for the commandant of the Cadets.

After detention in custody, the man was said to have rendered the Reds considerable service on the East River, being an expert plane bomber, artillery range-finder, gunnery artificer and munition mechanic.

#### ENGINE TROUBLE.

##### "HONAM" POSTPONES DEPARTURE.

Of the 100 passengers who booked to Canton by the s.s. "Honam," 67 were able to land despite picket launches and on the return trip there were aboard 122 passengers (including Chinese who were unable to get ashore).

The "Honam" did not arrive in Hongkong yesterday until close on midnight, owing to a breakdown in the engine room, one of the air-pumps getting out of order three hours after the vessel left Canton.

The "Honam" was not able to leave this morning on account of this.

Later, The next sailing has been announced for Monday, September 28, by when repairs are expected to have been completed.

**MORE PICKETS.** In order to keep a careful watch on the people travelling by the s.s. "Honam" to and from Hongkong, says the "Canton Gazette" of September 16, the General Department of the Pickets of the Strike Committee, has ordered an additional force of 200 pickets to patrol the Pearl River.

Passengers intending to travel by this steamer will be detained together with any sampan attempting to carry them or to board her.

#### STABBING AFFRAY.

##### CHINESE CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Two Chinese charged in connection with a stabbing affray at Tai Kok Tsui were again before the Kowloon Magistrate this morning.

In the case of one of the accused the charge of grievous wounding was altered to one of murder, the injured man having since died, and the man was remanded for next week.

The other accused was discharged for want of evidence.

### SWATOW POSITION.

#### OFFENSIVE ON THREE ROUTES.

##### STATE OF EMERGENCY.

Reports from Swatow state that General Chan Kwing-min's troops have been ordered to advance along three routes into the interior. The first objective is the regaining of all territory held prior to the last debacle.

Conditions similar to that of an emergency have been imposed at Swatow. Regulations have been issued relative to the formation of societies, etc., the publication of news, pictures and posters; the possession of material which may be required for military use; possession of arms and weapons; censoring of mails and telegrams; the right of search in military or police precincts; and the deportation of undesirable.

##### FIRST SUCCESSES GAINED.

A wireless report from Swatow, received by the "Kung Sheung Yat Po" (Hongkong) states that the left wing of Chan Kwing-min's army has taken Wai Loy (an important district). The right wing captured Tsz Kam and several hundreds of rifles. The two wings are joining in a march on Kwai Taam.

#### STRIKERS CAUGHT.

##### STREET BRAWL LEADS TO ARREST.

Through squabbling over an old cemetery, two members of the Sam-chun strike pickets are believed to have fallen into Police hands at Nathan Road, Yau-mat.

According to one report the men are alleged to have been banished from Hongkong after several terms of imprisonment. They are also said to have been suspected of implication with a notorious Hongkong secret society.

Indications are forthcoming that they both did duty with the strike pickets at Shumchun. They were arrested by Chinese detectives through a brawl in the street.

#### SELF-PROTECTION.

##### CHINESE WHO DEFIED THE STRIKERS.

A Chinese watchman on a steamer was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning with unlawful possession of a revolver and eight rounds of ammunition.

Mr. J. M. d'Almeida Remedios appeared for the defence and tendered a plea of guilty. It was stated on behalf of the accused that he was one of those who refused to throw in his lot with the strikers and remained at his post. There had been no unlawful intent in the man carrying a revolver on his person, and it was only done as a measure of self-protection against any attack by intimidators.

Sub-Inspector K. W. Andrew, who had charge of the case, expressed himself as satisfied with this explanation.

His Worship said that he could not acquit the accused of the offence altogether, and imposed a fine of \$25 or in the alternative three weeks' hard labour.

#### FOOD SHIP.

##### MORE LIVESTOCK REACHES HONGKONG.

The s.s. "Phranang" (formerly of British registry but now under the Chinese flag) has arrived here from Pakhoi and Hoihow.

There was on board a quantity of poultry and livestock comprising pigs, cattle, etc.

Hoihow is the port of Hainan Island which, with part of the opposite mainland, forms the domain of General Tang Pung-yan, a subordinate of General Chan Kwing-min. General Tang has held out for the pro-Chan cause for years in the south of Kwangtung province and has prevented agitation from anti-foreign outbursts.

One reason given for there being no trains for the public on the Chinese section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway is that all traffic is now monopolised for transporting Whampoa Cadets to the East River to disarm Hau Shung-chi's Cantonese men in that area.

One thousand five hundred cases of prepared opium, valued at over \$10,000, are stated to have been found by Police on board the s.s. "Tijpanas."

### LOAN FROM HOME.

#### THREE MILLION POUNDS FOR LOCAL TRADE.

##### OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

##### RELIEF FOR FINANCIAL STRINGENCY.

The negotiations which followed an appeal from the Chinese community for relief of the present "tightness" of money (the Banks having declined to lend money on local securities whilst the present situation lasts) have resulted in the decision of the Home Government to lend \$3,000,000 to the Hongkong Government which in turn will advance it for the benefit of trade on local security.

The issue of bonds which was the method advocated according to a provisional text of the original petition to which publicity was given does not therefore arise and the reason for this was probably that it was felt that even Government bonds could not lead to the production in Hongkong of the large sum needed.

Nothing official has been announced with regard to the machinery by which money will be advanced on local security, but it is not considered likely that application will have to be made direct to the Government. The advance of the money to a well-known Bank or Banks to act as agents for the Government is considered the most likely procedure.

The official announcement regarding the loan from Home is as follows:—

As a result of the meeting between the Government and representatives of the mercantile community on the 23rd of September His Excellency the Governor telegraphed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies asking that His Majesty's Government should lend the Colony money up to \$3,000,000, if necessary, to be used for loans on approved security with a view to relieving the financial stringency.

A reply couched in the most sympathetic terms has been received from the Secretary of State who authorises the Governor to announce that he hopes within a few days to make arrangements which will enable him to place funds up to the full amount suggested at the disposal of the Colonial Government.

#### MANY PASSENGERS.

##### PEOPLE COMING FROM MACAO.

Boats coming over from Macao yesterday afternoon brought more than the usual number of passengers. The Steamboat Co.'s s.s. "Kinshan" was very well patronised.

As explained in yesterday's "China Mail," small river steamers are now plying between Macao and Kwong Hoi city in the Sze Yap district. Some have also travelled down to Macao from Kowloon on junks used for transporting (Chinese) military coal.

Should the Macao-Kwong Hoi service continue, more strikers are expected to return in addition to the 2,000 or so who came back yesterday.

#### A SALUTE.

A salute was fired by the U.S.S. "Sacramento" upon her arrival in port from Canton at 2.45 p.m. to-day. H.M.S. "Tamar" acknowledged.

The first 8 Subscription Grifins for 1926 having arrived, Subscribers are advised that the draw will take place this evening at 6 p.m. at the Jockey Club Saloon, Chaterau Bay.

#### TODAY'S DEAL.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day, was 2/6 1/2.

### S.S. "CHANGTE."

#### THIS AFTERNOON'S RECEPTION.

##### A SPLENDID SHIP.

An "At Home" is being held this afternoon on board the s.s. "Changte" by Captain Gambrell and the owners prior to the sailing of the vessel on her maiden voyage next week.

A frequent launch service was maintained between Murray Pier and the steamer for the convenience of the guests, many of whom took advantage of the kind invitation from an early hour.

As has already been reported, the s.s. "Changte" made a successful trial run last Saturday and demonstrated her seaworthiness to a large company on board. A speed of 14.77 knots was attained at the trials against 13 knots according to the contract.

The vessel was built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., for the Australian-Oriental Line, Ltd. (Messrs. G. S. Yuill and Co., Ltd., Sydney) and the local agents will be Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. The "Changte" with her sister ship will replace the two old vessels now on the Hongkong-Australia run.

All the features of a modern ship and everything conducive to the comfort and safety of passengers are seen in the new vessel, which has already received favourable comment from visitors.

##### Features of the Vessel.

The music room lounge, 30 by 23 feet, and 10 feet high, situated at the forward end of the promenade deck, is of Louis XVI influence, and has been designed primarily as a ladies' room. Its twelve large casement windows give ample lighting and ventilation, and the carefully considered spacing of the electric light fittings ensure highly satisfactory illumination at night.

The room is furnished with bookcases, card-tables, writing tables and easy chairs, and a Collard and Collard Grand Piano, supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co., Ltd., Hongkong.

The teak parquet deck makes an excellent dance floor, and will undoubtedly be popular with the passengers.

The general colour scheme of ivory, rose and grey, with a touch of gilt in the staircase and the gilt mirror at the after end, give to this room a bright but restful atmosphere.

The smoke room situated at the after end of the promenade deck is paneled with English oak in the Tudor style; the beamed ceiling being in keeping with the period.

A staircase leading from this room down to the bridge deck occupies some space, but there is ample accommodation, there being four card tables with black "Vitrolite" tops, two writing tables, and four large easy chairs.

The eight large casement windows excellently ventilate and light the room, and there are sufficient electric fans to keep it cool on the hottest of days.

The vestibule at the fore end of the bridge deck directly under the lounge, contains the Purser's office. The decoration is of Georgian influence, the panelling being of teak painted ivory.

At the fore end is a niche in which is placed a writing desk for the convenience of passengers. The ship's library is in rear of the Purser's office. The main staircase and wrought iron balustrade with mahogany handrails blends with the general scheme.

Opening off the vestibule at the fore end are two cabins de luxe, each consisting of state room, sitting room and bathroom.

The staterooms have been treated in the Louis XVI style, the panels being painted grey, and the stiles and rails a deeper shade of the same colour. There is a double wardrobe with mirror front, and ample hanging and drawer space, also a table which serves either as a writing desk or a dressing table. The two comfortable "Silver" beds invite slumber.

### STRIKE THREAT.

#### HOME COAL TRUCE HITCH DEADLOCK.

##### CONFERENCE - ABORTIVE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Sept. 24.

At the close of the resumed Coal Conference at Downing Street, the Miners' leader, Mr. Tom Richards, stated that the miners had not received satisfaction, and a national delegate conference would be convoked.

Later.

The miners conference at Downing Street broke down after Mr. Baldwin had explained that the settlement of July does nothing beyond continuing the agreement of the owners and miners of 1924 and variations in district rates thereunder do not concern the Government further.

Later.

Mr. A. J. Cook made a statement controverting Mr. Baldwin's statement declaring that pending a settlement of the dispute the miners would not participate in the proceedings of the Coal Commission, but would appeal to the Labour movement to support him as it did in July.

##### Ready For Trouble.

London, Sept. 24.

An influential organisation has been formed presided over by Viscount Hardinge, the members of the council including Lord Jellicoe, Scourborough and Falkland and Sir Rennell Rodd with the object of establishing over the country a system of volunteers to maintain supplies vital to the services in the event of a general strike. The scheme is already partly developed in London. Sir Rennell Rodd, interviewed, declared the organisation was non-party, non-political, and unpaid, and not formed for the purpose of opposing legitimate Trade Union activities, but to prevent the severe privation of the mass of the people who did not have a direct part in the actual dispute. He added that the Government had been informed of what they were trying to do and in the event of an emergency the whole organisation would be placed at the disposal of the authorities.

### WHAT BUSINESS?

#### CANTON REMARKS ON HAPPY VALLEY.

##### HONGKONG'S "DEPRESSION."

In some notes on the Hongkong situation, the "Canton Gazette" of September 22 says:—"Business in Connaught Road and the Happy Valley is badly depressed."

as a wardrobe, and a folding lavatory which is hidden behind the panelling.

The dining saloon, 47 by 26 feet, is at the forward end of the upper deck. It is decorated in restrained Georgian style, and painted a delicate blue, the beamed ceiling being a soft cream colour.

There are eighteen large side-lights providing excellent ventilation and light, and there is seating accommodation for 56 persons. Chairs, tables, sideboards, etc., are all of teak stained walnut colour and French polished.

At the after end are the service and entrance doors, and the main staircase leading up to the vestibule and the lounge above.

The polished teak parquet deck with its brown carpet runners help to complete a restful and pleasing scheme of treatment.

The whole of the woodwork and furniture in these rooms has been made in the joiners' shop at the Kowloon Dock of the shipbuilders, and they are to be complemented on the high standard and finish of the work.

The carpets and soft furnishings were all supplied and fitted by Messrs. Lane Crawford, Ltd., of Hongkong.

In all the public rooms other than the saloon are water colour drawings by Mr. Kato, a Japanese artist, and some water colour and pen and ink drawings of Hongkong scenes and "Junks" by Mr. P. H. Hancock who was specially engaged to do the interior decoration of this ship, and her sister ship the s.s. "Tampin" now fitting up.

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## Empire's Debt to Scientists.

"There is more romance in the story of the world's great industries than in all the 'yellow-back' novels that were ever published. Take the case of rubber," says a writer in the "Daily Telegraph." "The story of its advent as a modern factor in the commercial world is far less than fifty years old, yet how many people realise that for sheer romance it is worthy to rank with Wedgwood's triumphs in pottery, the Elizabethan discoveries of tobacco and the potato, and the boyish observation of a tea-kettle's steam that was to lead to the locomotive?"

"It is a story that emphasises the debt that we all owe to the quiet, self-denying labours of our public servants. The great rubber plantations of the East are the off-spring of an idea of that great botanist, Sir Joseph D. Hooker, who was director of the Botanic Gardens, Kew, from 1855 to 1885; and it took many years of patient argument to persuade the Eastern planters to grasp the fortunes that were literally staring them in the face.

"Sir Joseph Hooker was always on the look-out for 'some new thing' that would benefit not only the Motherland but her Colonies and dependencies also, a search which he prosecuted through his assistants in many parts of the world.

"Two men were employed—Mr. Cross and Mr. H. A. Wickham, who is now Sir H. A. Wickham. Mr. Cross, the well-known introducer of the cinchona into India, in addition to introducing Para rubber, also brought back the Castilloa elastica, or Central American rubber, known in South America as caoutchouc ball, and the Ceara rubber.

PARA RUBBER.  
 "Both of these species, however, have been superseded by the Para rubber—Hevea Brasiliensis. But it was Mr. Wickham who, in 1876, ascended the Tapajós river and collected the seeds which were to become the foundation of the rubber industry of the East.

"Many other explorers must have seen the wild Para rubber tree—Hevea Brasiliensis—growing in tropical luxuriance in the jungles of Brazil; and the value of its product had for centuries been dimly appreciated by the South American Indians. It remained for Cross and Wickham to attempt the experiment of transplantation; and they were under no illusion as to the odds against its success.

"The seed of the wild rubber tree quickly loses its vitality; within about seven weeks of the day it drops it becomes sterile. Wickham had made a collection of 70,000 of these seeds, but he was far from the coast, and he knew he would have to travel his hardest 'against the clock' if a single one of them was to germinate at Kew.

"As quickly as he could, he worked down the Tapajós towards its mouth, all the time tantalised by the probability that he would not find a ship when he reached there, and that every seed might be dead before he could get afloat.

"But his luck was propitious. A British 'tramp' had just discharged her cargo, and the skipper was waiting, Micawber-like, for 'something to turn up.' It did, but scarcely in the shape that he expected. And it required all the persuasiveness that Wickham could command to convince him that 70,000 seeds in three boxes represented the cargo he was looking for. Eventually the skipper agreed to take the three boxes, run home in ballast, and trust the British Government on the word of the explorer for payment. Wickham must have been a really remarkable man.

"Immediately he reached home Wickham rushed to Kew, where Sir Joseph Hooker had houses cleared in a hurry and soil prepared for the reception of the seeds. They arrived, just in time. Four per cent. germinated satisfactorily and soon for the rubber plant grows rapidly—specimens were on the way to Calcutta, Ceylon, Rangoon, and Singapore.

"In spite of the care that was lavished upon them, all but seven of the plants that reached Singapore were dead in August, 1879, when Mr. Walter Fox took over a post in the Singapore Botanical Gardens.

"But they had been placed in a dry, shallow soil, and Mr. Fox—who had learned at Kew, that Mr. Cross could not grow rubber in the conditions of the tropics—had not realised that the seeds were to be planted in a different soil.

from its doing mistress; and from their seed fresh stock began to rise around them.

LAUGHED.  
 "But the planters were making money out of coffee, and for years they laughed at the idea that these immigrants from the Far West would pay them better. To-day it seems incredible that the first rubber trees in Penang were used merely as a decoration for the municipality's highways.

"Fortunately, the staff of the Botanical Gardens never lost faith in the rubber tree's future in Malaya, and, despite the indifference of the planters, methodically extended their stock.

"In due season they reaped. Coffee began to slump, and the planters had to seek an alternative crop. Then rubber was planted in earnest—to give birth to an industry that employs thousands of men and millions sterling of capital; to endow the motor-car with wings; and to make a hundred other new contributions to our convenience and our comfort.

"But who spares a thought for the man who 'raced the clock' from South America to Kew; and who, looking at two old rubber trees that still flourish in the garden at Singapore—the survivors of the original seven—has the slightest notion that these are the parents of Malaya's most important industry, the origin of scores of fortunes, and the source of a whole population's daily bread?"

"This story was worth telling for its own sake, but it will be worth the more if it serve as a timely reminder of what the Empire owes to its disinterested scientists—who may not themselves profit from the fruits of their own discoveries; and are not even allowed to hold shares in a rubber company."

RUBBER MARKET.  
 Latest Singapore Prices.  
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Amal: Malays	.....	3.35
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Bukit Jelutong	1.15
Bukit Katil	1.45
Changkat Berdang	2.50
Glendays	2.20
Indragiris	2.25
Jeramis	1.20
Jimahs	1.95
Kedahs	3.80
Kempas	7.10
Kuala Sidims	3.00
Lunas	12.75
Malaka Pindas	2.80
Malakoffs	4.60
Mandal Tekongs	.90
Mayfields	9.25
New Serendahs	4.30
Pajamas	10.75
Perit Peraks	3.30
Perak Rivers	1.90
Punggors	1.45
Sandycrofts	3.10
Scudals	2.80
Sungei Bagans	8.40
Tapahs	21.00
Tambalaks	1.50
Teluk Ansons	10.25
Termerlohs	1.15
United Malaccas	2.45
Utah Simpans	3.50

## DEMURRAGE CHARGES.

Since railway rates and charges were reduced to the basis of fifty per cent. over pre-war figures the Association of British

Chambers of Commerce together and the Federation of British Industries have made continued applications to the railway companies to make a similar reduction in demurrage charges for detention of waggons and sheets, as these charges were kept at the highest figure—viz., 100 per cent. over pre-war for the first two days' detention and a heavier penalty after that period. The Federation at length decided to test the legality of any higher increase than 50 per cent. over any period, and filed an application with the Railway Rates Tribunal.

The present charges for detention of ordinary waggons and sheets after an allowed free period is, for the first two days, waggons 8s. sheets 6d. per day each, and after that time waggons 5s. and sheets 1s. per day each. The Rates Tribunal do not regard the charge for the first two days as unreasonable, but find no justification for the advanced charges on the later period, and they have ordered that this should be discontinued after September 1. This will make the charges 3s. for waggons and 6d. for sheets per day for any period. The judgment gives nothing to the ordinary traders, but favours those who make indiscriminate use of railway stock for the warehousing of their goods.

## HONGKONG MARKET PRODUCE.

## APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

## Butcher Meat.

		Sept. 2nd	June	June
		1925.	1918.	1914.
		Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
Beef Sirloin—Ngaui Mei Pa	牛尾肥	lb. 36	24	12
" Prime Cut	牛尾肉	" 36	23	12
" Corned—Ham Ngaui Yuk	咸牛肉	" 34	23	20
" Roast—Shiu Ngaui Yuk	燒牛肉	" 36	24	22
" Breast—Ngaui Hung	牛腩	" 32	20	18
" Soup—Tong Yuk	湯肉	" 28	20	18
" Steak—Ngaui Yuk Pa	牛腩	" 36	24	22
" Steak Sirloin—Ngaui Lau	牛腩	" 60	30	35
" Sausages—Ngaui Cheung	牛腸	" 40	26	20
Bullock's Brains—Ngaui No	牛腦	per set 15	10	12
" Tongue, fresh—Ngaui Li	牛舌	each 90	50	60
" Tongue, corned—Ham Ngaui Li	咸牛舌	" 80	—	—
" Head—Ngaui Tau	牛頭	lb. 24	15	14
" Heart—Ngaui Sam	牛心	" 30	20	18
" Hump, Salt—Ngaui Chan	牛腰	" 30	20	18
" Feet—Ngaui Keuk	牛腳	each 12	10	12
" Kidneys—Ngaui Yiu	牛腰	" 15	10	12
" Tail—Ngaui Mei	牛尾	" 30	20	22
" Liver—Ngaui Koon	牛肝	lb. 24	13	14
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngaui To	牛肚	" 8	6	7
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngaui-tai-tau-keuk	牛頭蹄	set \$1.20	\$1.00	\$1.00
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pui Kwat	羊排	lb. 55	26	—
" Leg—Yeung Pui	羊腿	" 55	26	—
" Shoulder—Yeung Kin	羊肩	" 52	24	—
" Saddle—Yeung On Yuk	羊腩	" 55	—	—
Pigs' Chittings—Chu Chong	豬油	" 40	—	27
" Brains—Chu No	豬腦	per set 5	—	12
" Feet—Chu Keuk	豬腳	lb. 24	15	—
" Fry—Chu Chap	豬肝	" 48	15	18
" Head—Chu Tau	豬頭	" 24	20	—
" Heart—Chu Sui	豬心	" 20	10	8
" Kidneys—Chu Yiu	豬腰	" 20	10	8
" Liver—Chu Koon	豬肝	lb. 60	30	24
" Pork Chop—Chu Pui Kwat	豬排	" 42	25	23
" Leg—Chu Pui	豬腿	" 45	—	—
" Loin—Chu Hau Tun	豬腰	" 48	25	27
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	豬油	" 30	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet—Yeung Tau-Keuk	羊頭蹄	set 75	60	70
" Heart—Yeung Sam	羊心	each 15	8	7
" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu	羊腰	" 15	12	10
" Liver—Yeung Koon	羊肝	" 55	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order—Chu Tai	乳豬	" 25	25	22
Suet, Beef—Shang Ngaui Yau	牛油	" 36	20	18
" Mutton—Shang Yeung Yau	羊牛油	" 55	26	24
" Veal—Ngaui Tai Yuk	牛牛油	" 30	20	19
" Sausages—Ngaui Tai Cheung	牛仔腸	" 40	20	20

## Fish.

		lb.	30	19	24
Barbel—Ka Yu	鯪魚	" 32	20	16	
Bream—Pin Yu	鯪魚	" 32	20	16	
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin	淡水魚	" 18	16		
" Ya	水魚	" 16	27		
Carp—Li Yu	鯪魚	" 12	9		
Catfish—Chik Yu	鯪魚	" 20	25		
Codfish—Mun Yu	鯪魚	" 40	23	26	
Crabs—Hoi	蟹	" 26	18	2	
Cuttle Fish—Mok Yu	墨魚	" 50	23	16	
Dab—Sha Mang Yu	黃魚	" 24	10	9	
Dace—Wong Mei Lap	黃魚	" 10	10	9	
Dog Fish—Tik To Sha	狗魚	" 32	18		
Eels—Conger—Hoi Mar	鰻魚	" 10	18		
" Fresh water—Tam Shui Yu	淡水鰻	" 25	30		
" Yellow—Wong Shu	黃魚	" 60	32	25	
Frogs—Tin Kai	田雞	" 70	40	30	
Garoupa—Shak Pak	石斑	" 20	18	16	
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	白鰻	" 32	22	18	
Herrings—Tao Pak	黃魚	" 24	18	23	
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap	黃魚	" 32	22	18	
Lobsters—Wu Yu	黃魚	" 32	22	18	
Loach—Sha Mang Yu	黃魚	" 55	32	21	
Macrurus—Lung He	黃魚	" 30	20	28	
Macrurus—Chi Yu	黃魚	" 36	32	28	
Monk Fish—Mung Yu	墨魚	" 30	18	2	
Mullet—Tui Yu	墨魚	" 32	18	22	
Oysters—Shang He	墨魚	" 23	14	9	
Parrot Fish—Kai King Yu	墨魚	" 35	20	15	
Pomfret—Tui Yu	墨魚	" 18	10	9	
Prawns—Pa Yu	墨魚	" 42	28	14	
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Prawns—Pa Yu	墨魚	" 14	8	18	
Prawns—Pa Yu	墨魚	" 18	10	10	

## Poultry.

		Sept. 25,	June,	June,
		1925.	1918.	1914.
		Cts.	Cts.	Cts.



## EXTRA EXPENSES.

## SUPPLEMENTARY SUMS FOR 1924.

## VOTES EXPLAINED.

In moving the authorisation of the appropriation of supplementary sums amounting to \$2,702,794 to defray charges for 1924, the Colonial Secretary at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council made one or two interesting comments. The heavy expenditure in the Harbour Master's Department has been caused almost entirely by the amounts required for the patrol launches, the typhoon moorings and the rescue tug. The full amount due for patrol launches cannot very well be ascertained. The typhoon moorings have now all been laid down and the rescue tug is to be launched on the 1st October.

Owing to change in circumstances no forecast can now be made as to when the quarters for the subordinate service would be erected, therefore the vote for rent allowances would have to be continued longer than anticipated. An increase in expenditure on stationery was due principally to the purchase and type in order that the Government printing department might cope with more of the work with consequent eventual decrease in expenditure. A fair number of Police officers had had to be sent Home and this accounted for some of the expenditure under the head of passages. Increase of staff during that year in the P.W.D. had also involved expenditure of considerable sums on passages.

A large sum had had to be advanced in connection with repair of damage caused by typhoon and heavy rains the year before.

## More Recent Work.

After the first reading of the Bill authorising the above expenditure had been read and the other business of the Council concluded, the Colonial Secretary presided over a meeting of the Finance Committee with considerable votes for more recent public work. At the outset Mr. Bird asked if it was not possible for members to have copies of the financial minutes before the day of the actual meeting. Over a million dollars was involved in the votes before them that day and they had never seen them before. The Chairman said that he would try and get them in the hands of members early.

The votes and explanation on them were as follows:

## Victoria Gap Road.

\$241,750 in aid of Public Works, Recurrent:—  
Hongkong, Miscellaneous, 18, Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages, \$210,500.  
Kowloon, Miscellaneous, 39, Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages, \$26,850.  
New Territories, Miscellaneous, 50, Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages, \$4,400.  
The Director of Public Works was questioned regarding this work. It did not include the Po Hing Fong disaster, he said. With regard to the slip at Victoria Gap the Chairman commented that this was about three times it had given away. The D.P.W. replied that he thought it was for the last time now.

Hon. Mr. Lang: It is a pity the road was ever built round that way.

Hon. Mr. Bird: Not at all; it is one of our greatest assets.

## Government Flats.

\$157,170 in aid of Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Miscellaneous, 40, Compensation and Resumptions.  
In this large sum, said the Chairman, is included also the sum paid for Queen's Gardens, which is one of the best bargains I think we have ever made. The houses are ready to accommodate a number of Government servants. Eventually we shall have 30 flats, where we shall be able to house 300 Government servants, and if we had to build houses for the whole of these, say at a low estimate of \$250,000 a house, you can see we should have to pay \$750,000.

Hon. Mr. Bird: How many rooms are there in the flats?

The Chairman: There are two large rooms and big verandahs. Some of them are sub-divided, but the rooms are very large.

Hon. Mr. Bird: What class of Government servant will occupy these flats?

The Chairman: Anyone with from \$450 to \$300 a year. We shall get so much in rent from them. It is a very good bargain. We purchased for \$382,000, and I think the Junior Chinese members will tell you we have made a very good bargain.

## Canton Charities.

\$10,000 in aid of Charitable Services, Grants in aid of Charitable Institutions:—John G. Kerr Hospital, Canton.

The Chairman: This sum is required under the new arrangements for this year with the John G. Kerr Hospital at Canton. The sum of \$20,000 will be inserted in the 1925 estimates. We have been negotiating with the authorities of the Hospital for some time, and have arrived at a very satisfactory arrangement with regard to the amount to be paid for each person sent there. They do a very fine work indeed, and the Colony is exceedingly fortunate in being able to make use of their place.

## Others Votes.

Other votes were as follows:—\$23,860 in aid of Military Expenditure, B.—Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. Other Charges:—

Uniform, including Boots, \$14,000.

Equipment and upkeep of arms, \$8,000.

Equipment for Engineer Co., \$200.

Books, stationery and printing, \$100.

Armoured Car expenses, \$400.

Motor Transport Section, upkeep of \$600.

Grant to Mounted Infantry Section, \$580.

\$60,000 in aid of Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, Buildings, 97, Gaol and Police Training School, Ngau Shi Wan.

\$5,000 in aid of Public Works, Department, Other Charges, Electric Fans and Lights.

\$507 in aid of Judicial and Legal Department, B.—Magistracy, Personal Emoluments.

\$150,000 in aid of Public Works, Extraordinary:—

Kowloon, Miscellaneous:—

93, Compensation and Resumptions, \$10,000.

New Territories, Communications:—

114, Roads:—(h) Fanling to Sha Tau Kok Road, \$40,000.

Miscellaneous:—

124, Compensation and Resumptions, \$100,000.

\$320 in aid of the Kowloon Magistracy:—

Electric Fans and Light, \$200.

Incidental Expenses, \$120.

\$1,000 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Miscellaneous:—

Further investigation into site for Wireless Direction Finder.

\$2,606 equal to \$304 0s. 0d. at 2/4 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Purchase of an Anti-Piracy Wireless Set.

\$17,500 in aid of Police, Other Charges:—

Coolie Hire, \$1,500.

Light and Electric Fans, \$15,000.

Rewards, \$1,000.

\$6,341 in aid of Public Works, Recurrent, Hongkong, Communications, 8, Maintenance of telephones, including all Cables.

\$11,000 on account of Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure, Repairs to Bridges, Earthwork, etc., damaged by the heavy rainstorm on July 17, 1925.

\$20,000 in aid of Miscellaneous Services, Other Miscellaneous Services.

\$4,450 in aid of Prison Department, Other Charges:—

Clothing and Shoes for Staff, \$4,000.

Gratuities to prisoners for Industrial Labour, \$450.

\$486,743.95 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary:—

Hongkong, Communications:—

Widening Garden Road below the Tram Station, \$14,000.

Miscellaneous:—

Quarry Plant for Tsat Tze Mui Government Quarry, \$30,000.

Portable asphalt mixing plant and tractor, \$20,000.

Purchase of a Cubitt Car, \$2,743.95.

Resumption of Marine Lot 122, Remaining Portion, Praya East, \$110,000.

New Territories, Miscellaneous:—

Purchase of New Kowloon Marine Lot No. 4, etc., \$250,000.

\$10,800 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Miscellaneous, Alterations to the kitchen at the Government Civil Hospital.

\$8,940 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Communications, 20, Roads:—

Extending 20 feet road from Magazine Gap to Victoria Gap.

\$31,500 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, Miscellaneous, Improvements and extensions to Lai Chi Kok Branch Prison.

\$1,304 in aid of the Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, Miscellaneous, 123, Miscellaneous Works:—

\$88,000 in aid of New Territories, Miscellaneous Works:—

Reclamation, 104, Police Station, Kowloon City, \$40,000.

Buildings, 105, Police Station, Shamshuipo, \$45,000.

## CANNIBAL LAND.

## MAN WHO RULED HALF-MILLION SAVAGES.

## WHITE MAN'S MAGIC.

Once the ruler of half a million African savages, John Boyes, a Yorkshireman of pluck, enterprise, and the wanderlust which has sent him roaming into adventure since his cabin-boy days, has just returned to England after fourteen thrilling years spent mostly in the jungle.

In the exclusive interview below he tells of astonishing happenings in the haunts of elephants and cannibals, and of the reception he got when he paid a return visit after many years to the tribe of which he was formerly the uncrowned king.

The ex-ruler of half a million African savages has arrived in England, writes the Special Commissioner of the "Sunday Chronicle." He is not, as may be supposed, a picturesque pagan potentate with a diamond stud through his nostrils and a name like a bad cough, but a short, spare, rather timid-looking Yorkshireman named John Boyes.

Sheer bluff and "white man's magic," performed with the aid of a clock with a musical box attachment, won him his kingdom; a gramophone and a knowledge of sleight-of-hand, wedded to reckless daring and indomitable Yorkshire pluck, enabled him to retain it for three thrilling years.

During that time this adventurous "Quatermaine," who received practically no schooling and commenced life as a cabin-boy and cook aboard a North Sea fishing vessel, ruled the Wa-Kikuyu—one of the fiercest and most treacherous tribes in British East Africa—with an iron and despotic hand.

## STARTLED SAVAGES.

His greatest exploit was the taking of a recalcitrant chief single-handed, armed only with a knob-kerry and a concealed revolver.

Leaving many hundreds of his own armed soldiers at a distance, he marched straight into the hostile chief's village, right to where the dusky potentate was sitting surrounded by warriors, and promptly clubbed him senseless.

With hand on revolver he then awaited the onrush, but his extraordinary pluck had paralysed the savages, who were already aware that he was reputed to possess supernatural powers. One and all threw down their weapons, and Boyes experienced no further trouble from that quarter.

But at the apex of his power his reign came to a sudden end. Two British officials arrived on the scene and ordered his arrest on charges of having waged war, persecuted government without authority, taken part in six punitive expeditions, and committed dacoity.

Conviction on any one of these charges meant death. For several weeks this King Crusoe languished in an evil-smelling gaol, but when, finally, he was brought to trial he was honourably acquitted.

After these experiences Boyes returned to England. A rover all his life, however, he found it impossible to settle down, and once again he set sail for Africa. This time he tried farming, but it was not long before he was once more seized by the wanderlust, and, leaving his land in responsible hands, he started out on a hazardous elephant-hunting trip to Abyssinia and the Belgian Congo.

For nearly fourteen years little or nothing has been heard of him in England. How he fared after he plunged into the jungle—the thrilling adventures and half-breath escapes he had—has now made public for the first time in the exclusive story he told me at the home of his father-in-law at Hull.

"In order to reach the Congo from Nairobi," he said, "I had to trek through Kenya, cross Lake Victoria Nyanza, and then strike right through Uganda to the Blue Nile. I had heard that gold had been found in the district, and I determined to have a go at that if the elephant hunting did not come up to expectations. But the prospects of ore soon receded into the background when I arrived at my destination. There was no doubt about the elephant hunt being a success, for there must have been thousands of them. Herd after herd I saw, and the sight fairly made my fingers itch round the trigger.

"Pitching my camp on the British side of Lake Albert Edward, I started into the fancy shooting."

"At best, it was a dangerous job, and to make matters worse most of the natives were very cannibal and particularly hostile towards white men. In fact, I was not only in the

hunger, but I had to escape being gored by the elephants. I was almost certain to jump out of the frying pan, so to speak, into the stew pan. The climate was about the worst you can imagine, and blackwater fever, tick fever, and sleeping sickness were about as common as influenza in England.

"In about a year and three months I shot over a hundred and fifty elephants. On one occasion, when I was hunting in the thick bush, I came across two elephants. One I managed to kill, but the other I was only able to wound, and later he made a surprise swoop out of the bush and impaled my boy on one of his huge tusks. The next second he had turned and his trunk came round like a lash, missing my head by inches. After that I dived into the bush and stopped there until the elephant drew off.

## WALKED OVER HIM.

"I had even a narrower escape than this from an elephant when I was trekking up to Abyssinia on another expedition. I was the last man of my party when, suddenly, the elephant broke cover and made straight at me. My mule, startled, threw me off, and by the time I had picked myself up, the elephant was not more than three yards away. Quick as a flash I threw my hat at his face and took a header in the bush, thinking he would not follow. But he came on, trampling madly, and I thought I was doomed. And then he seemed to step right on top of me, and I closed my eyes. . . . But nothing happened. The great brute had walked clean over me without noticing that I was there.

"As I scrambled up, however, he saw me and charged again, and I was thrown into the air like a stone from a catapult. Fortunately, a tree broke my fall, and I hung on to one of the branches and waited until the animal went away.

"On this journey I had considerable trouble with the Abyssinians, who frequently were very hostile. At a native village they decided on a lightning strike for double rations.

"They were stubborn and said that if they did not get what they wanted they were going to leave me in the lurch.

"Very well," I said, "you can clear out straight away."

"All this time angry native from the village were surging about me. Suddenly the Abyssinian guide who started the trouble walked away with one of my mules. I could not shoot him because he was careful to take cover behind the animal, but I made a big display of my guns, and let it be clear that if there was going to be a fight I intended to give a good account of myself.

Scared by my bold front, but still spoiling for a scrap, the natives made a dash at my deserting servants. For a few seconds there was a wild-melee, and then my boys broke away and rushed back to me for protection. They got it, and that finished the trouble as far as they were concerned.

## ABRAHAM MAGIC.

"Another time a band of savages armed with old-fashioned rifles, which they carried at full cock, surrounded my caravan and started a war dances preparatory, I suppose, to taking off my head.

"When things looked blackest a Somali boy I had with me calmly walked up to one of the chiefs, took hold of his beard, and said 'Abraham!' What it meant I have not the slightest idea, but it stopped the circus all right."

Before he left Africa for England on his present trip, Mr. Boyes made a tour of his former kingdom of Wa-Kikuyu. Very few of his old subjects are left, but the lone white man who organised their army and dealt justice with "flame and the voice of thunder" is still regarded with awe.

"I was rather surprised to find," stated Mr. Boyes, "that the tribe bears me no animosity." I asked several I spoke to, if they remembered who was the first white man in the country and they said, "Yes—Boyes."

"I also asked them if they remembered what he did, and they replied 'Yes, he burnt whole villages.' Surely," I said, "he must have been a bad man to do that?" But much to my surprise the natives "would not have it." No, they replied, the people were bad people—they deserved it."

Alas, Kikuyu's former glory and war pomp has passed away. The native chiefs now ride about in American motor-cars.

## HILL CHILDREN OVER HOT WEATHER.

Summer complaint makes little headway with children, whose careful mothers are often obliged to take them to the hills for fresh air and rest. The children are often found to be very healthy and happy when they are in the hills, and the mothers are often surprised to find that the children are so healthy and happy when they are in the hills.

## IN RED JAIL.

## BOLSHEVIK GUARDS JEERS.

## THE MOSCOW METHOD.

A remarkable narrative of imprisonment in a Bolshevik dungeon and a trial before the "Proletarian Court of Justice" at Vladivostok is told by Mr. Sydney C. Suter, chief officer of the Glen Line steamer "Carnarvonshire," who has just returned home.

Mr. Suter was liberated from prison, in which he suffered the vilest possible torture, through the efforts of the Navigators and General Insurance Co.

At the time of his illegal arrest and imprisonment the riots at Shanghai were in progress, and, according to Mr. Suter, he was made the medium of propaganda by the Bolsheviks to show that they were protecting Chinese against "British tyranny."

As the "Carnarvonshire" approached Vladivostok a Chinese sailor was discovered pilfering the quarters of the Chinese crew. This man was ordered by Mr. Suter to be handcuffed to a rail, mainly to save him from the violence of the other Chinese, while a Bolshevik policeman was found to take the man in charge.

When the policeman appeared he apparently took the word of the Chinese thief before that of Mr. Suter, with the result that the latter was charged "under Paragraph 160 of the Penal Code—forcible deprivation of liberty by a painful method which endangered the life or health of the person detained."

Filthy And No Windows.

Mr. Suter said to a "Daily Mail" reporter:—

I was searched, put into a carriage with an armed soldier, and driven to the secret police prison. After waiting two or more hours I was deprived of my money, watch, tie, belt, and other articles, and was sent under escort to a cell, which was about 10ft. square by 9ft. high.

It had no windows, but a grating at the upper end of a shaft in the roof. The straw bed was in an indescribably filthy state. There was a table and a stool and a wooden spoon.

There were a Russian and a Chinese in the cell, which seemed to amuse the Bolshevik guard, who frequently reminded me of the fact that the three of us were bunched together in a Russian prison.

On June 16 I went to the court-house for what was nothing more than a farcical trial, in which the Public Prosecutor refused to

prosecute. The trial lasted from 4 p.m. till midnight. The magistrates sat among the crowd in front, and I was tried by three peasants in corduroys with handkerchiefs round their necks.

I was let off on payment of a fine of 246 and told I was free as long as I did not attempt to leave the city. Eventually I managed to get on board the steamer "Glenbeg," which brought me home.

## 6FT. WOMAN RIDDLE.

## UNCONSCIOUS IN SEASIDE HOSPITAL.

A woman of refined appearance, nearly 6ft. tall, who refused her name before lapsing into insensibility, lies in a critical condition in Southend Hospital.

She was taken ill in a High Street building, and a bottle of poison was found near the spot from which the ambulance men removed her.

The woman was dressed in a navy-blue costume, and wore a gold ring with three blue stones on the third finger of her right hand and a gold brooch with the initial "M" embroidered on it. This initial was also embroidered on three handkerchiefs found in her handbag.

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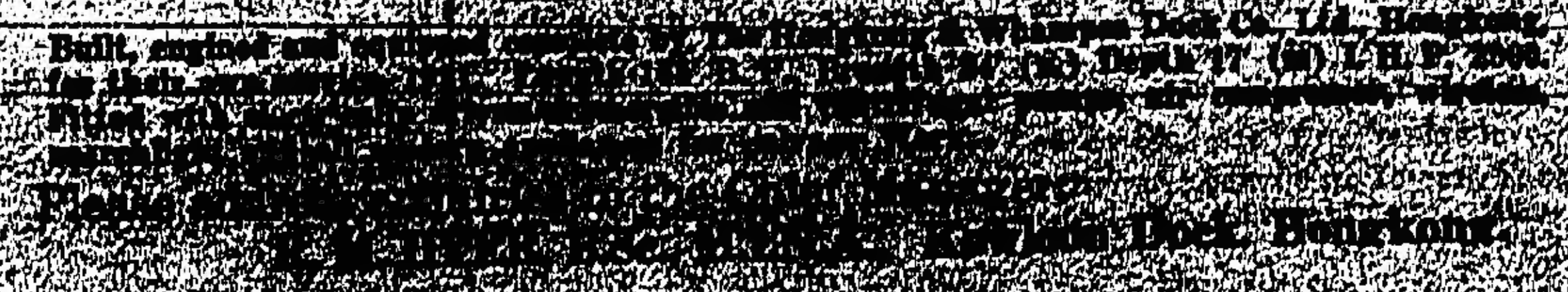






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### THE TRADE LOAN.

The common factors governing conditions necessary for the successful conduct of their affairs, dictate that any measures for assisting local concerns must give similar opportunities to Chinese and Europeans alike and although the request for relief of the present financial stringency came from a purely Chinese source it may reasonably be assumed that the provisions of the proposed loan will apply to all merchants in need of cash and possessing the necessary security. The exact nature of the relief contemplated by the Government has not yet been officially announced but the most effective means of ending permanently the present stringency of cash is obviously for the principal banks to give practical expression to their confidence in the future of the Colony by advancing money on local security. This they have declined to do on their own initiative and it remains to be seen whether the Government's loan will be observed strictly in the letter or whether money on local security will be lent by the banks in advance of the amount which the Government are to guarantee. A section of the Chinese merchants who were responsible for the petition for a Government loan are said to be in favour of an advance to native

banks, in fact it has been stated that one of the principal objects in bringing forward the application was to save more native banks from having to suspend payment with consequent loss to principally Chinese merchants and, indirectly, to a limited extent, in view of their interdependence one upon another for prosperity, to European merchants. Whether or not the Government loan is the minimum advanced on local securities, some organisation must obviously be held responsible for its application and as decentralisation of control would render more difficult the task of keeping track of the money and seeing that it is spent along the lines for the purpose of which it is advanced, it is unlikely that the loan would be made general to all banks. Its handling by one of the principal banks acting as agent for the Government would appear on the face of it to be the most satisfactory solution and the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank has already been mentioned in this connection. Although nothing had been officially announced until to-day as to contemplated means of raising the money, a loan from Home, whether direct or by means of bonds issued in London, appeared to be considerably more practicable than the task of raising in Hongkong at the present time such a sum as six million pounds sterling (which the provisional text of the petition originally contemplated). It would certainly have been illogical for the Home Government to refuse such a loan in view of the statement by the Premier in answer to Hongkong's cable, that the "disastrous situation" was "fully realised." The policy since defined elaborates machinery which one would be optimistic in anticipating a successful conclusion to (so far as Hongkong's difficulties are concerned) for another twelve months and in the light of this and their realisation as indicated in the telegram the Home Government could do no other than view sympathetically a request which seeks to alleviate a situation which must otherwise have become desperate.

### BRITISH GOODS.

Is it possible for Hongkong British, when making purchases, to insist on an Empire product?

Do Hongkong British ever, to trouble to enquire from whence come the things they buy? It would appear that the answer to both questions are in the negative. Hongkong is a free port and may send virtually to exist on free trade. It would be bad politics to insist on preferential treatment for Empire goods. But it should be good patriotism for British people to enquire for Empire goods, and as far as possible, to purchase them. There is a wave of this sort of Empire patriotism going over Britain. The Empire Exhibition at Wembley has been nothing but a huge advertising display of the Empire's ability to provide for her own people. And a second edition of that Exhibition but emphasises an obvious fact. If nothing else, it has opened the eyes of the people of the Empire to the vast potentialities of a vast area. Royalty has set the example in buying Empire products, and our own people are being urged to do the same. It is not merely a question of sentiment or patriotism, but one of good business. And not that only, but a means to helping our own kith and kin. Imports from foreign countries into Britain have totalled \$391,000,000 and exports to those countries \$576,000,000. Foreign countries have thus reaped the benefit of \$315,000,000 which, with over a million unemployed is altogether too philanthropic. Purchasing Empire-made goods helps to reduce this employment figure—surely an incentive to purchase such goods. The Self-Supporting Empire League is appealing for the co-operation and action of the British people in fulfilment of the principles of the league, which will raise the general well-being of the people of the Empire to a plane hitherto unachieved, while reducing the cost of living and doing away with unemployment. Thus will this work prove to be, not a palliative, but a definite cure. Admiral Jellicoe is able to put his name to such meaning words as these and to call the attention of the British people to the world over, to them. The league's aim is to secure as many members as possible who will pledge themselves when making any purchase, whether it be a matchbox or a motor car, to demand an Empire product, and if the quality is satisfactory as compared with a foreign product, to purchase the former in preference. The league will undertake the work of leading the consumer to demand Empire products and of assisting the producers to meet those demands at reasonable prices. Branches are to be formed whose task will be to encourage industry in their own immediate territory. These branches will be spread all over the British Empire. It remains to be seen if one will be established in Hongkong. There can be no objection to such a branch, and to such urging on British people. Competition is good for trade. It is also good for the consumer who, very often, has to sink his feelings and buy in the cheapest market. Shopkeepers and merchants also have to have no particular feelings in the matter. They are here to trade. It would appear that a duty rests with those at Home to study the Hongkong market; find out wherein competition is severest, and if possible, meet that competition. "Made in England" has always been a slogan suggesting quality and endurance. It has not always suggested competitive prices. Hongkong needs enlightenment to rise to this occasion.

### THEY SAY THAT—

I cannot endure the boredom of sport.—Mr. Bernard Shaw.  
Everything but nonsense has long ago been talked out.—Mr. James Smith.  
The reformed rake is almost invariably a married man.—Miss Mollie Izod.  
It is my profound belief that democracy is at the cross roads.—Sir Josiah Stamp.  
The last thing most people really want to do is to read the classics they praise.—Mr. R. F. Bull.  
The fault with women generally is their false conception of what constitutes beauty.—Lady Sholto Douglas.  
The mother must grasp the fact that either she must be master of her child's will or—Dr. Bernard Shaw.

## SHREDS AND PATCHES.

A Navy once christened his baby "Homer," and on the clergyman asking him whether he had done so because "Homer" was his favourite poet, he replied: "Poet? Lor', no, sir, I keep pigeons."

PENS, PENALTIES AND PENULTIMATES. Herod's war rant for St. John.  
Was signed without a SWAN; No blood-bespattered slaughter-man.  
Does business with a WATER-MAN; Then why should Shreds and Patcho  
Kill Time with an ONOTO?

There is a cheerfulness that stimulates us and another cheerfulness that irritates us and still a third type, and most rare, that wakes in us an admiration profound and, if only for the moment, ennobling.

The first kind of cheerfulness has its roots chiefly in good health of body and mind. If the health of either is not perfect then the high spirits may alternate with gloom. But while the spirits are high, and particularly if the wits are keen, we find great buoyancy and much amusement in the society of such people.

The second type, the cheerfulness that sometimes exasperates us, is, of course, that of complacency and self-satisfaction. There are people whose sympathies are not of the quickest, who never look on the darker side of life and who are temperamentally incapable of despondency. Their easy good temper makes them useful members of society, but there are days when we shall not run against them.

The third sort of cheerfulness has its source partly in experience. It is the result not of complacency but of character. It has been hard won or hard-sustained. It knows as much of life as the cleverest pessimism knows—and more. But it is, naturally, somewhat rare, and so unobtrusive that even when we meet it we may miss it unless our eyes are quick.

Americans say that it is good to hear that STRACHEY, J. St. Loe Strachey, any purchase, whether it be a matchbox or a motor car, to demand an Empire product, and if the quality is satisfactory as compared with a foreign product, to purchase the former in preference.

He and Mrs. Strachey, are taking a ten weeks' holiday which they will spend in America and in Canada. No Englishman of their acquaintance is a shrewder roofer for those United States of America and they prove it this way. No American newspaper correspondent who was in London during any part of the four years of war, 1914-1918, will ever forget Mr. Strachey. He it was who, at a series of afternoon tea-parties, held week in and week out at Garment's Hotel, produced for them all the big-wigs of the Allies. Such a preposterous idea as a British Prime Minister receiving a newspaperman was unthinkable before Mr. Strachey appeared to champion the cause of the American correspondents who were trying to cover the war. Within a few days, however, they—the correspondents—received Mr. Asquith, then Prime Minister—at the first of Mr. Strachey's weekly parties! He broke down the barriers by guaranteeing not merely the honour but the discretion of, as he called them, "my colleagues from across the water."

Thereafter he would say to them each week:—  
"Who would you like to have next Wednesday?"

Sir Edward Grey, Lord French, Sir Douglas Haig, Admiral Jellicoe, Admiral Beatty, Mr. Balfour, Lloyd George, Lord Fisher, Lord Haldane and dozens of others were called for by the correspondents, and produced by Mr. Strachey at his American tea parties.

To those who know

ADAPTABILITY. the "frothings" which hedges in those in authority, the work of Mr. J. St. Loe Strachey, is not to be despised. And to get at some of the big wigs, here and in England, is like trying to open a sardine tin with a match; or, if that is vague, like getting a Broker to finish his June settlement. Down in Manila when a newspaper man wants to see the Governor General, he goes to Government House, rings the bell, and is at once admitted to the Governor's presence and treated as a responsible being. In Hongkong But why speak of the obvious? The Shreds-man has a friend who had occasion to interview a former Director of Education. That particular Director verbally wiggled him because he didn't send in a card, but breathed his name in the shell-like car of a Chinese clerk. Such is fame: or swelled-headedness.

## THE HOUSMAN AESTHETIC.

We now come to a writer, who must be included here because he developed as a genuine modern poet one of the themes out of which the artistic sympathies of the period was woven. He was alone, I think, in the fullness and sincerity of his apprehension of it, and this places him outside the circle of men who were mainly abortive seekers in art but the techniques of writing; but this solitary eminence emphasizes the vitality of the Pagan ideal for which he stood, an ideal that absorbed his soul while it attracted the senses of men who were not scholars. I refer, of course, to Mr. A. E. Housman. It is significant of the reverence with which he regarded the Pagan ideal, that though, ended, as it were, in London, he discerned it where it still survives, not in the appetites, that haunt our city streets, but in the English country-side. He studies it there, because the life there reminds him most of the humanity that he admires in Pagan times and classic authors.

There is a rebuke in this poetry, as there is in Greek sculpture, for all that is not simple, restrained, and strong. Only in its reverence for what has perished from the world is there anything romantic in its wisdom. No writer is more original. He has no modern models or imitators, and did all other modern verse perish, Mr. Housman's poems would be like the Greek Anthology of our tongue.

His work is small in quantity, but he is perhaps the only poet, technically a minor, who seems too great for such a term. The most manifold sight in the world to him is that of a Greek statue, and we feel that he has assimilated the living secret of its nobility as few contemporaries or aesthetic admirers have ever done. Every true author is the writer of some one book, but Mr. A. E. Housman is the author of none other.

He reached his aim at a single, deliberate stride; for the last Poems admittedly dates for the most part from the period of "A Shropshire Lad," and contains nothing, even the War poems, that are not akin to it. The earlier patriotic poems would have seemed an exorcism, if patriotism were not a Hellenic virtue.

"A Shropshire Lad" was written in the spring of 1909, when Housman was in his 47th year. It was a time of great personal sorrow, for his mother had died, and his father was in his 80th year. The poems are a testament to his enduring spirit and his deep understanding of the human condition.

The most subtle of its metres haunt us strangely, because they seem to accompany themselves with a strain of independence, but half audible, music. As we read, we surrender ourselves, now to the accompaniment and now to the measure, in an alternating and hardly expressible joy. When we try too intently to overhear the accompaniment, the measure draws its back to itself, as the dominant partner. When the page has fallen on our knees, we wonder if any composer could capture the musical notation of this mysterious accompaniment which fills while it eludes our mortal ears. The question makes us understand why Lovat Fraser and other artists have desired to illustrate A Shropshire Lad, and why too Mr. A. E. Housman answered even Lovat Fraser in the negative, though his designs have now been given separately to the world. We should however have thought that the rhythm of such poems as

We'll to the woods no more,  
The laurels all are cut,  
The bowers are bare of bay  
That once the Muses wore;

He stood, and heard the steeples  
Sprinkle the quarters on the morning town.  
One, two, three, four, to market  
place and people;  
It loosed them down,

would have proved irresistible to musicians; and if this be their effect upon the most humble of concert-goers, who must be to the composer as the deaf-adder to the charmer's voice, how much more then these poems should awaken in an incoherently more responsive ear. Like Rossetti and William Morris, Mr. Laurence Housman was not content with one art. He wrote not only poems and fairy tales but made charming drawings for them, and designed book-plates and covers and little pages, so that his volumes are delightful possessions, which link the nineties to the sixties by carrying on the same tradition. In the poems a century of feeling, devotion and disillusion are found together, and that we are forced, despite the art displayed, to see in the devotion mainly an aesthetic motive.



## LEAGUE COUNCIL.

PERSIA AND CHINA'S CLAIM.

RIGHTS OF 500,000,000 PEOPLE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, Sept. 24. The Assembly of the League adopted the draft resolution of the Chinese delegation in reference to conditions to be observed in the matter of the election of non-permanent members of the Council, after a speech by Mr. Chao Hsin-chu, who hoped that the distribution of seats would realise the hopes of the League and enhance the prestige of the Council.

The Swedish Delegate recognised the equity of the Chinese resolution, although he spoke in favour of the system of rotation in the selection of States.

The Persian delegate supporting the Chinese, made a demand for a non-permanent place on the Council. He insisted that the Asiatic conference represented in the League by China, Persia and Siam, representing 500,000,000 people should be assigned a place in the Council, the three countries agreeing to occupy a place in turn.

## VITAL TO PEACE.

BRITAIN AND AMERICA'S TRUST.

THE CONTROL OF THE SEAS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Portland, Maine, Sept. 24. Senator Hale, Chairman of the Senate Naval Committee in a naval speech, said he believed the greatest possible factor in the promotion of international peace would be for the British and Americans to control the seas "as we virtually do at the present time."

He added that he could not agree with those pacifists who, because they hate war, would like to see the navy abolished altogether.

## TONG MURDERS.

A CHINATOWN TO BE RAZED.

CLEVELAND'S ACTION.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 24. As a result of the numerous Tong or Chinese faction murders the city manager has ordered the buildings of Cleveland's Chinatown to be razed as "fire and health hazards."

Over 450 Chinese have been detained for questioning in connection with the latest murder on Tuesday evening.

## SEAMEN'S STRIKE.

SYDNEY CONFERENCE FAILS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Sydney, Sept. 24. A conference of representatives of the shipowners and striking seamen ended abortively, each side declaring the terms offered by the other quite unacceptable.

Durban, Sept. 24. The steamer "Rhymney" held up by the strike, sailed to-day.

## WORLD ECONOMICS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, Sept. 24. The Assembly of the League has adopted the French proposal of the organisation of an International Economic Conference.

Paris, September 24.—The French Aero Club cordially entertained General Hsu, who was made an honorary member.—Havas.

Bombay, September 24.—Out of eighty-two cotton mills only five are now working, and 145,000 operatives are idle.—Reuter.

Lahore, September 24.—The death is announced of Lieutenant-General Sir Pratap Singh, the Maharaja of Kashmir, who died at 4.45 p.m. at his residence in the city. He was 60 years of age. He was a member of the British Indian Army and had served in the First World War. He was a member of the Council of the Maharaja of Kashmir and was a member of the Council of the Maharaja of Kashmir.

## MOSUL STIR.

LEAGUE AND TURKISH TACTICS.

INQUIRY TO BE HELD.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, Sept. 24. The Council of the League has resolved to despatch at the earliest a representative of the League to investigate on the spot the alleged deportations of Christians from Mosul.

Mr. L. G. Amery described the situation on the Brussels line in reference to the deportations, which he said numbered 8,000.

He rejoiced in the approval of his suggestion to send a League representative to investigate.

Rush di Bey contested the British statements regarding the deportations, and said he would refer the matter to Ankara, adding that he was prepared to agree to a mixed commission of enquiry into the charges and counter charges.

Mr. Amery said he would agree to Rushdi's proposal on the condition that the commission was permitted to investigate also northwards of the Brussels line, but Rush di Bey rejected the suggestion.

Rush di Bey is consulting Ankara in connection with Mr. Amery's stipulation. Mr. Amery is postponing his departure from Geneva pending the outcome.

## INDIA RIOTS.

A HINDU FESTIVAL OUTBREAK.

(Reuter's Service.)

Delhi, Sept. 24. Serious Hindu and Muslim riots are reported from Aligar in connection with the Hindu festival of Ramliha.

It is stated that Mohammedans stoned Hindus, who, retaliated by inflicting injuries to 60 Mohammedan men and women.

Twelve Hindus are in hospital. Details are lacking owing to the censorship. Another report states that the police opened fire.

## ARABIA MISSION.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Sept. 24. Sir Gilbert Clayton departed on an official mission to Arabia in connection with the adjustment of the frontier between the territory in Irbad and British mandated territories in Iraq and Trans-Jordan.

It is emphasised that the mission in no wise indicates a change of policy on the part of the Imperial Government regarding interference in the religious dispute in that region.

## SYRIAN FIGHTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, September 24. A message from Damascus states that General Gamelin's force has departed from Mousseiffre in the direction of Saida.

Later. A report from Damascus states that General Gamelin's force has entered Saida.

General Gamelin's force was supported by tanks. After encountering stiff resistance on the heights to the south of Tel Aviv he occupied at midday the position which had fallen during the night. The Druses are falling back northwards between Tel Aviv and Saida.

## NEW ENVOY.

AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Sept. 24. Mr. Charles MacVeagh has been appointed Ambassador to Japan.

Mr. MacVeagh is a lawyer of eminence, and did service in ameliorating the lot of war sufferers.

Peking, September 24.—A foreign telegram from Harbin states that a Bolshevik diplomatic courier has been arrested at Pogranichnia. He was attempting to bring a large quantity of bombs and explosives into China.—Reuter.

Kagoshima, September 24.—Major the Marquis di Pino, who was killed at Kagoshima at 4.45 p.m. on Sept. 23, was again killed at Kagoshima at 4.45 p.m. on Sept. 24. He was a member of the Italian Army and had served in the First World War. He was a member of the Council of the Maharaja of Kashmir and was a member of the Council of the Maharaja of Kashmir.

## ROUND THE WORLD.

LINERS DUE HERE NEXT SEASON.

FOUR "TOURIST" DATES.

During the tourist "season" several round-the-world liners are due to make a call at Hongkong.

Messrs. Butterfield and Swire (Blue Funnel Line) are agents here for four of these ocean giants. The dates, according to present arrangements are:

"Carinthia" due December 2. "Belgenland" due to arrive here January 21, 1926, and to leave at 5 p.m., January 26.

"Laconia" due March 20. "Franconia" due March 21.

Some of these vessels are not strangers to Hongkong and they will, no doubt be welcome again.

## FRANCE'S DEBTS.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE OPENS.

"FAIR AND WORKABLE."

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Sept. 24. The Franco-American Debt negotiations were formally opened to-day.

Later. The negotiations opened with a speech by M. Caillaux, hoping that the settlement would not only be of a practicable nature, but worthy of the past of the two great nations and paying a tribute to America's wartime efforts.

Mr. Mellon, replying, declared that America did not minimise the burdens France had borne nor the difficulties menacing her future, but this condition was not permanent. France will emerge successfully from them. Mr. Mellon knew. The present conference may greatly influence the peace of the world, therefore he felt a great responsibility resting upon him. "It is our duty to reach a conclusion which in the estimation of both our peoples is fair and in the practical test of time, workable."

## LEAGUE IDEALS.

THE BRANCH OFFICE AT TOKYO.

ANOTHER FOR INDIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, Sept. 24. Sir Atul Chatterjee presented the report of the work of the Economic Committee of the League after which the French proposal previously cabled, was adopted.

Sir A. Chatterjee hoped the Assembly would appreciate the important work accomplished.

Sir A. Chatterjee, addressing a meeting of the Finance Committee this morning, praised the League's decision to open a branch office in Tokyo.

He rejoiced at the efforts being made to enable the ideals and aims of the League to become known in distant parts of the world and urged the opening of another branch in India, because Tokyo was too far to be of any benefit to India.

The Secretary General promised that the matter should receive attention.

## THE SECURITY PACT.

GERMANY TO ATTEND CONFERENCE.

CABINET'S DECISION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, Sept. 24. A Cabinet Council presided over by President Hindenburg, accepted the Allies' invitation to the Security Pact Conference on the assumption that the German note of July 27 will be adopted as a basis of negotiations.

Dr. Luther and Herr Stresemann will be the German Delegates, with the expert, Dr. Gauss as Secretary-General.

Peking, September 24.—General Wu Kuang Hsin, Minister of War, left for Kalgan this morning. General Yang Yu Ting has telegraphed to the Government, denying the reports that there is bad feeling between himself and Sun Chuan Fang.

He declares that trouble in the Yangtze Valley is not likely.—Reuter.

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## SAYINGPUN SCHOOL.

TWO MONTHS' DELAY THROUGH STRIKE.

QUARTERLY REPORT.

Asked at the Legislative Council meeting yesterday by the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak as to when the work on the new Sayingpun School was expected to be completed, the Director of Public Works said he had not the papers with him to refer to the date on which the contract had to be completed but as work had been delayed two months because of the strike it would probably be two months later.

H.E. the Governor suggested that the hon. member should put a question down in order that the Director might answer it at the next meeting.

The following quarterly report on the work on this new school was laid before the Council.

Satisfactory progress was being made until the commencement of the present unsettled labour conditions; workmen have left the site and the work is necessarily proceeding very slowly at present.

The brickwork has been completed to the roof level and the tower has been carried up to a few feet higher than roof. The floor to top storey and also the verandah roofs are completed.

Steel trusses over Science Block have been fixed and the roof timbering to both N. and S. Blocks is practically finished. Roof tiling has been commenced on the South Block.

The steel roof trusses over Assembly Hall are in position and internal plastering has progressed favourably.

The standard of work is good.

## TRAFFIC MISHAPS.

MOTOR VEHICLES COLLIDE.

COOLIE INJURED.

A twelve-year old Chinese boy received slight injuries when he was knocked down yesterday evening at Queen's Road East, near Wing King Street, by a motor car from the Hongkong Hotel Garage.

The driver of the car took the injured boy to the Government Civil Hospital and he was discharged after treatment.

A collision between motor bus No. 1186 and motor lorry No. 1506, in which a coolie was injured, was reported from Kowloon yesterday by Traffic Sergeant Hallam.

The injured coolie is now an inmate of the Kwong Wah Hospital, and the Traffic Department are making enquiries as to the circumstances leading to the accident.

## QUEEN'S THEATRE.

SPECIAL FIRST NATIONAL FEATURE.

"FLOWING GOLD."

To-night and to-morrow there is screened at the Queen's Theatre a first National feature which was well received last night by reason of the finer points of appeal which those favourite screen artists, Anna C. Nilsson and Milton Miles, were able to do full justice to—"Flowing Gold," a drama of the oil fields.

The vindication of the honour of an ex-army officer to whom attaches the stigma of dismissal and his victory over his enemy in the struggle for supremacy in the oil fields plays an important part in the development of the story which is concerned with the fortunes of a family which after years of labour eventually "hit it rich."

There are some fine scenic effects which, by a triumph of the film producer's art, that, for instance, when the lightning strikes an oil well and it disappears in a cloud of smoke imprisoned within wrecked timber those with whose fortunes the story is primarily concerned. Again there is the thrilling rescue scene when a cloud burst carries death and destruction with it by reason of the burning oil borne on the surface of the floods.

The weather forecast for the 24. hours ending at noon to-morrow is:—East winds, moderate; fine.

Typhoon in about Lat. 12 N., Long. 140 E., direction unknown; was the message received at 9.40 this morning by the local American Consulate General from the Manila Observatory.

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## HARBOUR RESCUES.

SLEEPER'S FATAL FALL.

WOMAN'S INSANE IDIA.

A Chinese coolie who had slept overnight on the edge of the sea wall in Connaught Road West near Jardine's wharf rolled in his sleep and dropped into the harbour early yesterday morning.

The man's cries for help attracted the attention of those near the scene and he was dragged out of the water, alive but in a serious condition. He died on the way to hospital.

What would have proved another tragedy was averted later in the day by the prompt action of boat people in rescuing a Chinese woman who jumped into the harbour with the intention of putting an end to her life.

On being taken to the hospital the woman was found to be none the worse for her immersion, but she showed signs of insanity, which accounts for her act. She was dispatched to the Lunatic Asylum.

## H. K. V. D. C.

ORDERS FOR ALL COMPANIES.

A Route March will take place on Monday, October 5, 1925. All members of the Corps attending are required to be at Corps Headquarters at 5.45 p.m. sharp.

Dress: Caps, khaki jacket, shorts and puttees.

Scientist Company: Glengaries, tunics, kilts, sporrans, diced hose and flashes.

Equipment: Rifles and bayonets, belts, braces and pouches.

Mounted Infantry Company: Bindolers.

ARTILLERY COMPANY. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 29, 1925. Dress: Multi.

ENGINEER COMPANY. The whole Company will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, September 28. Dress: Multi.

Light Section parade at Belcher's Fort for D. E. J. Runs at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, October 1, 1925. Dress: Uniform.

ARMOURD CAR COMPANY. Friday, September 25, 5.30 p.m. Parade for Mobile Column is cancelled.

Monday, September 28, 5.30 p.m.: Musketry Class with rifles under Lt/Col. Mathieson. Parade in Status Square.

Drivers as detailed by Sergt. Bruce.

On Monday, September 28, a meeting of Gunner Officers and N.C.O.'s will be held at Headquarters to discuss the coming training season.

MUSKETRY COURSES. For the following musketry courses uniform is optional but rifles, bayonets and pouches must be taken.

Rifles and Bayonets: must be drawn from Headquarters on the Friday preceding between 10 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., or 5 p.m. and 6 p.m., on the Saturday, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

MOUNTED INFANTRY COMPANY. Part II. of the Annual Musketry Course will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, October 4, 1925. Range Officer: 2nd-Lieut. J. Burgholmeyer.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

INFANTRY COMPANY. Part II. of the Annual Musketry Course will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, September 27, 1925, by Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Platoons only.

Range Officer: 2nd-Lieut. A. H. Penn.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

SCOTTISH COMPANY. Part I. Musketry will be fired at Peak Range on Sunday, October 4, 1925. All those who have not yet fired or qualified in Part I must attend on that day. Range Officer: 2nd-Lieut. K. S. Morrison.

N.C.O.'s Class of Instruction will be held at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, September 29, at 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.'s are requested to attend and also any others who are interested.

DRESS. Multi, rifle, belt and bayonet.

PROMOTIONS. The following promotions and appointments will take effect from 28.9.25 and 24.9.25 respectively.

ENGINEER COMPANY. No. 521 Lt/Corpl. H. J. Best, to be Corporal.

No. 626 Lt/Corpl. J. E. W. Placost, to be Corporal.

No. 130 Sapper F. D. Leonard, to be Lance Corporal.

No. 457 Sapper F. W. T. Hoos, to be Lance Corporal.

No. 516 Sapper J. Watson, to be Lance Corporal.

No. 559 Sapper P. Brett, to be Lance Corporal.

No. 789 Sapper J. T. Prior, to be Lance Corporal.

No. 720 Sapper G. E. Brennan, to be Lance Corporal.

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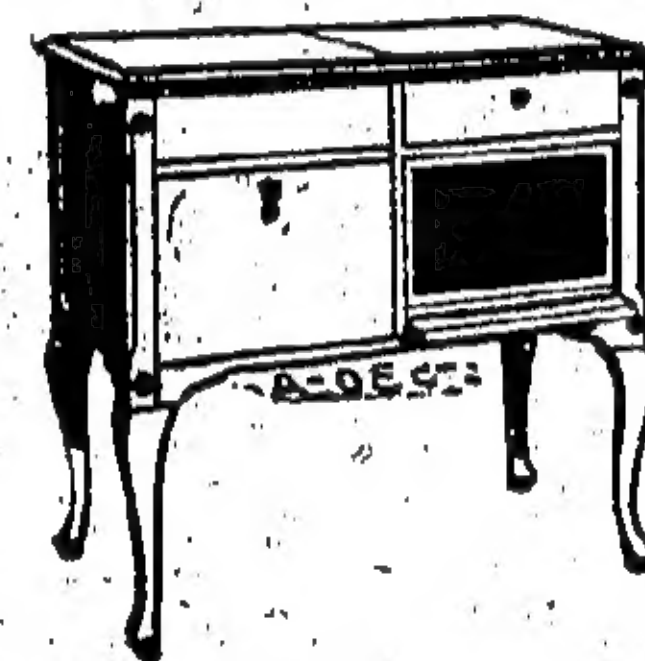
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**"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE****LOCAL FOOTBALL.****YESTERDAY'S "FRIENDLY" MATCH.****SOUTH CHINA WIN.**

By the only goal of the match the South China A.A. first eleven defeated a team from H.M.S. "Tamar" on the Naval ground, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon, in a "friendly" football match.

The winners had a reserve goalkeeper, their league defenders and some new forwards who were led by Ip Kau.

**\$370 FOR WIN.****BIG DIVIDEND AT KIANGWAN.**

The sensational dividend of \$368.40 for a win and \$95.60 for a place was paid in the seventh race of the International Recreation Club's meeting at Kiangwan on September 19, says the "Shanghai Times," when T. T. Chow's "Bawbee" a rank outsider, was brought home first by William Hu, in the Speculation Selling Plate, "Bawbee" was put up for auction immediately after the race and was bought in by Mr. E. Toeg for \$1,000. Other excellent dividends were declared, Mr. Wolly's Jollybird, ridden by Mr. Remedios, paying \$140 for a win in the first race of the day, and Z. H.'s Great Triumph, ridden by Mr. Quincey, \$69.40 for a win in the Brocklesby Stakes.

**WATER POLO.****YESTERDAY'S LEAGUE MATCHES.**

At the V.R.C. yesterday, the following matches were played in the Water Polo League:—  
H.M.S. "Hermes" beat Hong-kong Electric Co. by 5 goals to 2.  
H.M.S. "Ambrose" beat Surrey Regiment by 5 goals to 2.

**FOR THE MASSES.****BILLIARD RULERS NOW DEMOCRATS.****COMPOSITION OR IVORY?**

Local billiards players have probably heard of the decision to use composition balls instead of ivory spheres for the next premier amateur tourney. What is the opinion here? A Home writer remarks:—  
After proceeding far towards the democracy of billiards by the adoption of the composition ball for the amateur championship, the authorities have gone the rest of the way by the extension of the qualifying tournament. Instead of 18, as last season, 32 players are to be eligible for the main competition (in London). There are to be fifteen qualifying sections. Two are to compete in the main event from each of the fourteen provincial sections. London will have four vacancies.

With venues ranging from Newcastle to Plymouth, and from Cardiff to Norwich, the operations of next season's championship are comprehensive in their scope. But why the omission of Scotland as a qualifying entity? There were more aspirants from this quarter to the last championship than from any other, save London.

**AMATEUR CUP.****300 ENTRIES FOR F. A. TROPHY.**

London, August 18.  
With 119 in the Northern and Midland Division, and 271 in the Southern Division, the entries for the F.A. Amateur Cup this season total 390. The club exempted from the qualifying rounds are as follows:—  
Atherstone United, Bishop Auckland, Bootle Athletic (Nottingham), Chilton Colliery Recreation, Crook Town, Evesham Town, Ferryhill Athletic, Hallam, Langley Park, Northern Nomads, Players Athletic (Nottingham), South Bank, Stockton, Tow Law Town.

Barnet Town, Barnet, Bostall Heath, Botolph Claydon, Bourne-mouth, Cambridge Town Casuals, Chesham, Dated, Civil Service, Clapton, Dalwood, Eastbourne, Hampton, Town, Telford, Kingstonian, Leyton, Leytonstone, London Galsomley, Morden, Nomads, Nuneaton, Redhill, Southall, St. Albans City, Tipton, Watford, Weymouth, Wycombe, Wyke.

For the purpose of the F.A. Amateur Cup, the following clubs are exempted from the qualifying rounds:—  
1921-22: Barnet, Bostall Heath, Botolph Claydon, Bourne-mouth, Cambridge Town Casuals, Chesham, Dated, Civil Service, Clapton, Dalwood, Eastbourne, Hampton, Town, Telford, Kingstonian, Leyton, Leytonstone, London Galsomley, Morden, Nomads, Nuneaton, Redhill, Southall, St. Albans City, Tipton, Watford, Weymouth, Wycombe, Wyke.

**THE NEW LAWS.****WILL CHINESE CROWDS KNOW.****LOCAL "SOCCER" NOTE.**

A sports writer in a vernacular paper hints that the Chinese who form the greater majority of the crowds at local "soccer" matches may not be aware of the changes in football rules and that things may not run smoothly when the season proper begins.

This same writer suggests that a referee may be taken to task by a crowd not knowing the reforms introduced. Accordingly, he sets forth to explain what the changes are and it is to be hoped that football "fans" will all know by next month.

**HOME SOCCER.****THREE MORE MID-WEEK RESULTS.****CLAPTON LOSE AGAIN.****Reuter's Service.)**

London, Sept. 24.  
The following football matches were played to-day (home team given first):

DIVISION II.										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.	Goals		
Middlesbrough	8	6	0	2	23	12	12			
Chelsea	6	5	1	0	18	4	11			
Port Vale	7	5	0	2	18	11	10			
Wednesday	7	4	2	1	18	8	10			
Hull City	6	4	1	1	11	2	9			
Preston N.E.	8	4	1	3	13	8	9			
Swansea	7	4	1	2	18	6	9			
South Shields	6	3	2	1	7	5	8			
Oldham	6	3	2	1	14	5	8			
Wolves	6	4	0	2	15	8	8			
Derby C.	6	3	2	1	8	6	8			
Bradford C.	6	3	1	2	8	5	7			
Darlington	7	2	2	3	7	13	6			
Barnsley	7	2	1	4	9	14	5			
Blackpool	8	2	1	5	11	13	5			
Stoke	7	2	0	5	9	18	4			
Notts For	6	0	3	3	12	3	3			
Portsmouth	5	1	1	3	7	13	3			
Southampton	6	1	1	4	6	13	3			
Stockport	7	1	0	6	4	18	2			
Clapton	6	1	0	5	6	12	2			
Fulham	6	1	0	5	3	18	2			

DIVISION III.										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.	Goals		
Bradford	8	5	1	2	23	8	11			
Rochdale	7	4	3	0	20	0	11			
Durham	7	5	0	2	18	10	10			
Hartlepool	7	5	0	2	15	14	10			
Ashington	7	3	3	1	15	9	9			
Grimsby	7	4	1	2	19	9	9			
Wrexham	7	3	3	1	13	10	9			
N. Brighton	7	3	2	2	12	13	8			
Lincoln	7	4	0	3	12	10	8			
Wigan	7	2	3	2	14	11	7			
Coventry	7	3	1	3	11	13	7			
Doncaster	7	2	3	2	11	13	7			
Nelson	7	1	4	2	12	16	6			
Rotherham	6	2	2	2	10	16	6			
Chesham	7	2	1	4	6	8	5			
Crewe	6	2	1	3	12	13	5			
Hallifax	7	2	1	4	9	9	5			
Accrington	7	2	1	4	9	18	5			
Southport	6	2	1	3	11	13	5			
Walsall	8	1	2	5	10	25	4			
Barrow	7	1	1	5	11	18	3			
Tranmere	6	1	0	5	10	22	2			

Owing to the late arrival of the steamer, the first batch of subscription griffins was not drawn for at the Jockey Club stables yesterday afternoon.

**TEST TEAMS.****HOME ENTHUSIAST'S CHOICE.****RECOVERING THE ASHES.**

Writing to the editor of a Home paper, a reader says:—

Sir,—May I invite opinion on the Test team for next year's Australian visit? I have followed county cricket for a good many years, and am not writing by hearsay. Here is my choice:—

A. W. Carr (capt.), Watson, Hobbs, Lilley, Kilner (R.), Root, Holmes, Tate.

This fills ten places, and the one remaining could be given to J. C. White (who has developed into quite a first-class bat), Hammond (according to his progress), Astill, Rennie, Woolley, or, if the bowling be thought strong enough, a batsman such as Shepherd or Hendren. Shepherd, I think, would be quite a useful man. He is a good batsman, a real bowler, and a brilliant fielder. His ability to adopt forcing batmanship might be useful in three-day Tests.

A. W. Carr, Hobbs, Sutcliffe, Holmes, Tate, and Roy Kilner select themselves.

Woolley drops catches nowadays; Hendren has the temperament; Strudwick, good as he is, simply must drop out sooner or later.

At any rate, I should like to see the above-named ten, with the addition of either White or (preferably) Shepherd in the field, against any other English team.

Hammond, good fielder though he is, is at present a little too wild at the start of his innings. He has a bad habit of "slashing out" at bad balls.

[Readers of the "China Mail" have already come forward with their selections. Others will still be welcomed.]

**DAVIS CUP.****HOW JOHNSTON TOOK NO. 2 BERTH.****VINCENT RICHARDS DISPLACED.**

How Vinnie Richards was superseded by Johnston as No. 2 to Bill Tilden in the struggle by which America retained the Davis Cup, is related by A. Wallis Myers, C.B.E., writing from New York to the "Daily Telegraph" as follows:—

The Davis Cup defending team will not be officially chosen until August 20, but my impression is it will be composed of Tilden, Johnston, Richards, and Williams. Now that Johnston has beaten Richards twice in trial matches within the past four days, he will almost certainly play in singles with Tilden. In the first match Johnston only won at 9-7 in the final set, after Richards had been within a point of victory. In the second match yesterday, using a new back-hand cross-shot which he had studiously cultivated at San Francisco, Johnston triumphed in three sets. He is now as happy as a sand-boy. America may possibly play Tilden and Johnston in both single and doubles, but they have in Williams and Richards a reserve team of great potentiality.

L. P. Hedges, the Kent County cricketer, is now a master at Cheltenham College; he is qualifying for Gloucestershire, and will probably play in some of that county's games next season.

**CALL TO YOUTH.****WELL-PAID POSITS FOR RIGHT MEN.****AVENUES TO SUCCESS.**

There are positions waiting in every big business, with good salaries attached and with fine opportunities for the future.

Sir Sydney M. Skinner (of Messrs. John Barker and Co., Ltd., Kensington) made this statement in his presidential welcome to the delegates to the Summer School of the Drapers' Chamber of Trade of the United Kingdom, which opened its week's session at Balliol College.

Sir Sydney said that those who had been there before could appreciate what Oxford could do in the way of completing their education. The object of the Summer School was to make that trade of theirs, great as it was, greater and better, and to attract more and more of the educated youth of the country into it.

Running a business was a complex affair, and any real and lasting success could only be achieved by a tremendous amount of application and hard work. The delegates would have the advantage of listening to men and women who had made their business a study and not a pastime, and who would give the benefit of expert knowledge as to how any particular job could be made a success.

**TRAINING DIFFICULTIES.**

That trade of theirs, wanted young people, such as those present. It was very difficult to get men properly trained with a good business outlook and with a desire to apply themselves to their business.

The difficulty was to get young people into the business who were prepared to make a success of their individual job, and every avenue of advancement was open to them. Luck in business meant that a man seized the opportunity when it arose and drove right home the possibility of exploiting it.

Mr. J. H. Barnard, chairman of the staffs and Trade Boards Committee, joined in welcoming the visitors.

A civic reception was given to the delegates at the Town Hall by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor W. H. Perkins.

The organisation has a membership of over 7,000, and the attendance at the school this year shows a marked increase over that of last year.

The visitors include representatives of all the important houses in the retail and distributing trades, partners, directors, and those in administrative positions, as well as assistants, buyers, and departmental managers.

The programme extends over the whole of one week, and lectures by experts and prominent business men will deal with every aspect of this branch of trade in the light of modern methods.

**MURDER WATCHED.****FROM A QUARTER OF A MILE AWAY.**

A Paris second-hand dealer who was testing an old pair of field-glasses witnessed the first act of a double love tragedy at the suburb of Romainville.

Having cleaned the glasses, he focussed them on the slopes of the dismantled Romainville fort about 500 yards away when to his horror he saw a young man bending over the prostrate form of a woman hacking viciously at her throat. Before the dealer had recovered from his astonishment he saw the man run away.

Investigation by the police led to the discovery of a pretty fair-haired young woman aged 20, with her head almost severed. On the ground lay a razor with a broken blade.

The girl was identified by her father, M. Meenean, a factory hand, as being his daughter, Germaine. He stated that a young man named Godouk had wished to marry his daughter, but that the engagement had been broken off against Godouk's wishes on account of the latter's state of health.

A few hours later the body of the young man was found hanging from a tree in the same place. The police are now looking for a full dose of poison before putting the body to rest. In his pocket was a brief note in which he wrote: "Do not look any further for the murderer of my little Germaine. I know I've witnessed it."

A search of the Romainville records has failed to reveal any previous record for the young man.

**GHETTO LIFE.****SCENE IN A LONDON "POLICE COURT."****POTASH AND PERLMUTTER.**

A case was recently heard in Old Street Police Court which could be adequately described only by Mr. James Zangwill, writer of "The Ghettos" representative. It was a story concerning those Children of the Ghetto about which he wrote so long ago. But this is a case which does not show them on their best behaviour.

The names of the protagonists are wonderfully evocative—Leasarus Besser; Pinkus; and so on. In the audience is a double row of types, mostly men, any two of whom would do for Potash and Perlmutter. They follow with avidity every move in what proves to be a long-standing family feud, and the varying fortunes of the day are reflected in the expressions of the two factions.

A young man with a bandaged head gives evidence at length against the prisoner to the effect that he was stabbed in the head with some sharp instrument—presumably the handle of a pair of nutcrackers. The other side maintains that the wound was caused owing to the bandaged one slipping on the stairs as he ran away.

There are many witnesses, and hard swearing on both sides—all with hate on the way. A brother of the prisoner, most wonderfully dressed (they are mostly tailors), has a heavily-bandaged finger, of which more later. A brother of the victim is very wordy and very dramatic in his evidence. He speaks of "the sort of cry that thrills anybody the cry of one in pain, if you know what I mean."

"Oh, get on," says the clerk. A casual observer might think it was a case of fifty-fifty. But magistrates sometimes know better. After a detective, who knows the Ghetto like a book, has said favourable things about the prisoner—"a very unusual thing, he joined up in 1916"—the magistrate fines him £5, and produces ripples of facial emotion among the factions at the back of the court.

That is not all. On this charge hangs another. A powerful man appears in the dock. He is charged with biting the finger of a previous witness so hard that he nearly bit it off. Out of that came what one may call The Nutcracker Suit. The same detective explains at length.

The feud is really all about a young man who came from Russia. One family took him in. He didn't like work, and they put him out. The other family took him in. Hence the vendetta. The man now in the dock, the detective further explains, was years before the war a corporal in the Russian army.

The magistrate offers some appropriate words on the ethics of biting off people's fingers, and inflicts another fine of £5. And everybody goes away, with nobody quite satisfied.

What is absolutely certain is that there will be talk about all this somewhere in Whitechapel for years to come.

**A HUMAN OSTRICH.**

Thamu Chetty, and old offender, was arrested for the theft of a gold chain but had to go to hospital at Madras. He has confessed to stealing the chain from a girl but said he had swallowed it.

An X-rays examination revealed the chain, but another article in the shape of a tiny elephant has also been discovered. The circumstances in which this entered his stomach are still under investigation.

"Mary, I am not going to have you reading novels on Sunday." "But, granny, this one's all right. It's about a girl who was engaged to three clergymen at once."

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The one omission which we have noticed is that of any reference to the "ghost stories" which were current about Versailles a few years ago. Possibly the spooks have tired themselves out and are no longer active, but the tales deserved a mention.

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Marie Antoinette went to Trianon for three weeks into banishment, having measles, and to relieve the monotony allowed four young men to keep guard in her room by night and day. It was with the King's consent. It was innocently done. But the worst was believed.

Some curious misfortune seemed to dog her as it did the last "Empress of Russia."

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Investigation of the brutal slaying of pretty Miss Florence Kane, sister of a city detective, resulted in the arrest of William Brassfield, giant coloured man. He was identified as having been seen loitering near the scene of the crime. His white wife offered an alibi for him.



Alden Putnam surprised leaders of the motor car tyre industry by obtaining a patent on the balloon model after hundreds of thousands had been manufactured. The royalty was over the patent is expected to be one of the greatest legal battles in history.



Hundreds are visiting the Vatican on Holy year pilgrimages. Above is shown one of the contingents arriving at historic St. Peter's in Rome.



No longer can Bobby Jones, the sensational golfer, be dubbed "the boy wizard." Here's proof that he's a full grown man. It's the very first picture of his very first daughter, Clara, taken with Mrs. Jones.



Everett E. Hill, President of Rotary International, urged Rotarians to fight bigotry. Premier Painleve, of France, received a 436 to 84 vote of confidence from the Chamber of Deputies. Walter Johnson, veteran pitching ace of the Senators, was honoured by President Coolidge, who presented him with a certificate. W. O. Jenkins, ex-United States consular agent, once kidnapped by Mexican bandits, raised the American flag over his ranch in Puebla State and caused anti-American demonstrations.



Mollinda Karious, only six years old, was arrested in connection with the death of little Vivian Huxson, seventeen months old, who was pushed into the river, and stoned to death while struggling. Another youngster, John Vercas, six, was also questioned.



Mrs. Fannie Soper is in jail awaiting a chance to defend herself against the charge that she shot her husband. Soper was killed while sleeping near an open window. Mrs. Soper decared a man fired through the portal.

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**The Pilgrim Star.**  
Call me, little pilgrim star,  
Call and comfort me,  
Call me to the pastures far,  
Where I fain would be.  
Lonely is my seeking heart,  
Lone the path I roam—  
Call me, little pilgrim star,  
Tho' the way be hard and far,  
Where the changeless meadows are—  
Oh, call, and bring me home!

Keep my wayward eyes that stray,  
Keep them through the wilderness,  
Homeward into light!  
Keep my eyes, and keep my feet,  
Mid the mire and gloom—  
Call me, little pilgrim star,  
Tho' I tire, and wander far,  
Where no tears nor shadows are,  
—Anne Page, in the "Royal Magazine."

**The Christmas Book.**  
A book is such a particularly delightful Christmas present because it is the donor's obvious duty to read it first. But to dislike it, to shift it doubtfully from name to name on your list, from niece to lesser uncle from uncle to second cousin, from cousin to cousin aunt, and be forced to leave it on the shelf at last, dusty, unbested, "to do for a birthday," that is a scouring of the whole Christmas adventure, from the preliminary October shopping to the final curl-up on the sofa on the day after Bank Holiday, with a saucerful of Christmas-dinner relics—devilled almonds and candied cherries for choice—and a book for company, your own sort of book, the book you've been meaning to read, this month of Sundays; the new Munroe probably, or that volume of E. O'Neill's plays, that, as a matter of fact, you had bought as a little Christmas present for yourself! Pity the conscientious reviewer who, foreseeing all this, swallows down the newly published plums by the handful, until his literary digestion is completely ruined, and still must go on burning his fingers and his tongue that your Christmas dish of snapdragon may be a toothsome one. Nevertheless, he has his rewards. He may have to taste a sufficiency of windfalls and withered fruit, but there is always the chance that some strange new plum has been dumped into his dish, delicate in flavour, unique in shape. Those who declare that a reviewer is a blasé creature, who never credit him with rejoicing over his occasional opportunity of letting his feelings run away with him, know little of human nature. Ask your old-timer, ask your collector, ask your

Columbus, ask your street Arab begging cigarette-pictures or fishing in a choked gutter, if treasure-seeking is not the most thrilling of all occupations!—But what is the discovery of the Americas or a bit of old Chelsea compared with the thrill that will sometimes come over you, however hardened you are to new books, as you pick up a volume with a strange name on its cover and a virgin title page, and, running your hand through its half-cut leaves, exclaim—"I don't know—I'm not quite sure—but I think it's got a feel to it!"—Clementine Dane in "Good House-keeping."

**The Coming of Wendy.**  
Hush! That sound, from o'er the tree-tops—  
Peter Pan, whose hopes were vain!  
Pipes with joy his sweetest music,  
Wendy dear has come again!  
Sitting by his tiny fireside,  
Rocking in the leafy trees,  
Peter's heart is full of gladness,  
As he pipes and lolls at ease.  
"Tis the time of spring awaken-  
ing,  
Sing the blackbirds as they pass,  
In the villages the mild breeze—  
Glad the heart of lad and lass,  
Then, with liquid, fairy clearness,  
Comes the voice of Wendy dear!  
Calling to her playmate Peter,  
In the spring of every year.  
—E.M.C., in the "George Square Chronicle."

**The Poor Soul's Carol.**  
Were I a reed that in the wind is shaken,  
Then by some shepherd's hand I might be taken,  
And be with patient thought  
To simple music wrought,  
Fluting Noël, Noël!

Were I a blossom filled with gentle sweetness,  
Some sage might gather me in my completeness,  
And win by wisdom thence  
Fragrance or frankincense,  
Breathing Noël, Noël!

Were I a shell upon the sea-floor lying,  
I might be lifted, and my age-long sighing  
Enriched till it should raise  
Soft melodies of praise,  
Murmuring Noël, Noël!

Lo, I am neither shell nor reed nor petal,  
Only a piece of bent and tarnished metal,  
Yet some great angel's love  
May shape a shrine thereof,  
All gold, Noël, Noël!  
—May Byron, in the "Windsor Magazine."

**A Blue Stocking.**  
On March 9 it was one hundred years since the death of Mrs. Anna Letitia Barbauld, one of the leaders of the famous Blue Stocking Circle in London about 1800. They were all, with the exception of Mrs. Burney, very complacent ladies with a proper sense of their own position and importance. But among them, Mrs. Barbauld was conspicuous for her good sense, and she was in her day a real pioneer in education. She was born and reared in the atmosphere of schools. She was the daughter of Dr. Aiken, a well-known schoolmaster and eminent Nonconformist minister, who delighted to pour knowledge into the mind of his little Letitia from the time that she could walk. Letitia, we are assured, could read when she was twenty months old, and fluently at three years. At five she was a constant student of the New Testament under her father's direction, and sometimes even the learned doctor himself was put out of countenance by her reasoning powers. On one occasion he was entertaining another divine at dinner, and the conversation turned upon joy. Dr. Aiken gave it as his opinion that nobody should be encouraged to believe that joy could increase or vary in the next world, because it would be perfect from the moment of death. "I think you are mistaken, papa," said the infant pedant, aged five. "For did I not read to you this morning that there is joy among the angels of heaven over one sinner that repenteth?" In the anthologies of to-day we do not often greet the Blue Stockings, except where Mr. E. V. Lucas revives their grandiloquence to make us smile. But in every good collection of verse we find one little poem by Mrs. Barbauld which will not be lightly forgotten. It has a sweet simplicity and truth—  
Life! We've been long together,  
Through pleasant and through cloudy weather,  
'Tis hard to part when friends are dear,  
Perhaps 'twill cost a sigh—a tear.  
There! Steal away, give little warning,  
Choose thine own time;  
Say not good night—but in some brighter clime  
Bid me good morning.  
—Florence Bone, in "T.P.'s and Cassell's Weekly."

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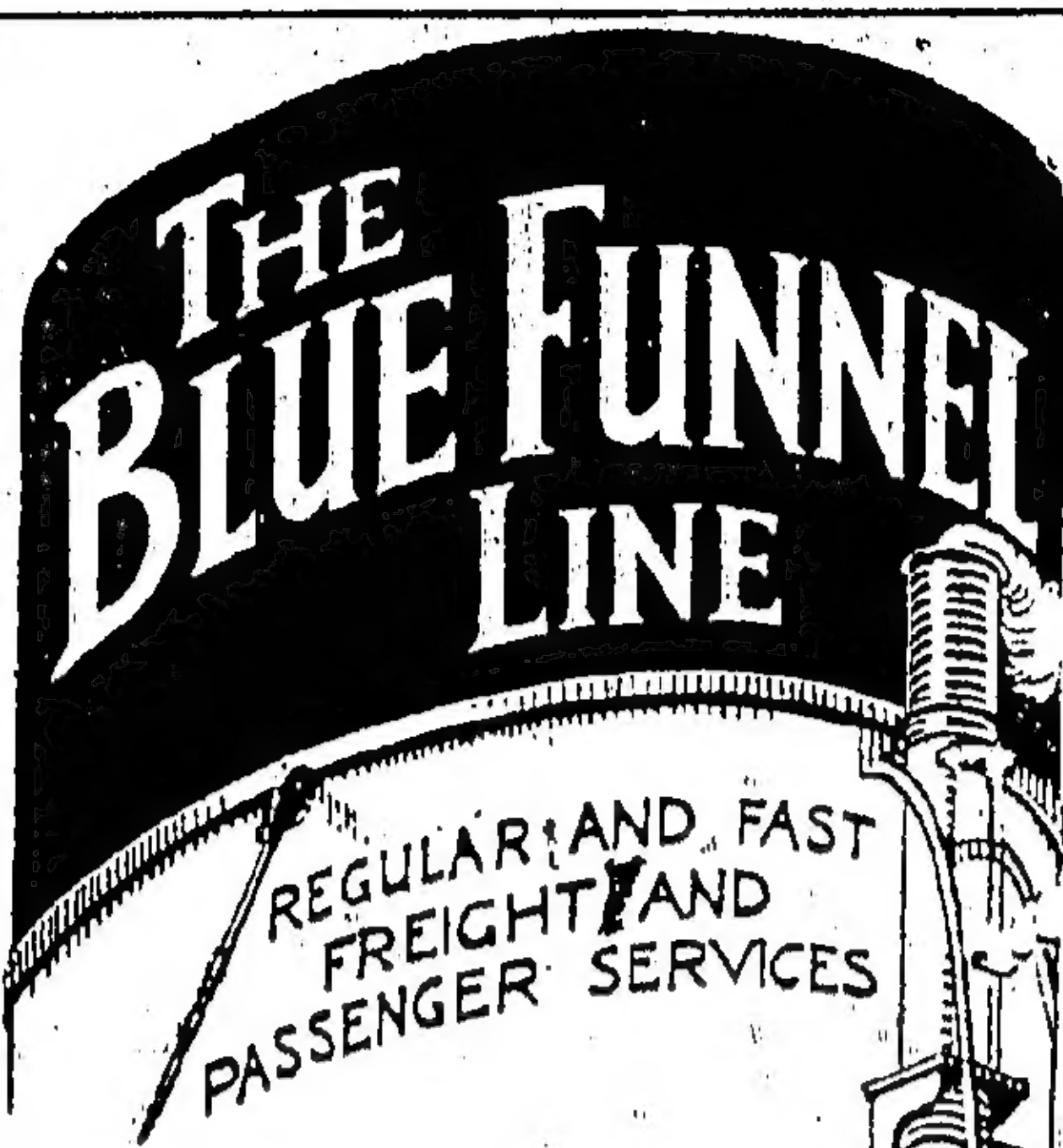
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at Budree Villa (Black and White  
House) North Point  
**The Remainder of his Valuable  
Household Furniture**  
Comprising:—  
Teak Extension Dining Table,  
Dining Chairs, Teak Sideboard,  
Teak Desks, Teak Book Cases,  
Standard Lamps, Wall Plates, Oil  
Painting, Water Colours, Frames,  
Glass Ware, Cutlery, Teak Ice  
Chest, Rattan Furniture, etc., etc.  
Iron Bedsteads, Teak Dressing  
Table, Marble Top Washstand,  
Tables, Toilet Set, etc., etc.  
also  
**A Quantity of Blackwood Ware**  
Comprising:—  
Curio Cabinet, Opium Stool,  
Table, Lanterns, etc., etc.  
and  
**One Piano by Haake**  
and  
**A Large Quantity of Mauritian  
Palms, Plants, Ferns, Porcelain  
Flower Stands, Empty Flower  
Pots.**  
Catalogues will be issued.  
On View from Sunday after-  
noon, the 27th September, 1925.  
Terms:—Cash on Delivery.  
**LAMMERT BROS.,**  
Auctioneers.

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Esq., to sell by Public Auction  
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### NOTICES.

#### HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI HOTELS LIMITED

With reference to the offer of  
new shares dated the 15th May  
1925 (made to the existing share-  
holders of the Company) by the  
terms of which the sum of \$7.50  
per share was to be paid on the  
30th June 1925 and the sum of  
\$5.00 on the 30th September 1925  
the directors have decided (in  
view of the present condition of  
affairs) to extend these dates.  
The date for payment of the  
first instalment is accordingly  
extended until the 30th September  
1925 and the date for payment of  
the second instalment until the  
31st December 1925.  
As regards shareholders who  
take advantage of these extended  
times the new shares allotted to  
them will rank for dividend as  
from the 1st October 1925 in re-  
spect of half the nominal value  
thereof and as from the 1st Jan-  
uary 1926 in respect of the full  
nominal value thereof.  
Any shareholder who makes  
payment prior to the due date  
will be allowed interest at 7 per  
cent. per annum on the amount  
paid by him from the date of pay-  
ment until the due date.  
This notice will not affect those  
shareholders who make payment  
on the original dates, i.e. as re-  
gards the first instalment on the  
30th June and as regards the second  
instalment on the 30th Sep-  
tember. The shares to be allotted  
to them will in accordance with  
the original terms of the offer  
rank for dividend on one half the  
nominal value as from the 1st  
July 1925 and on the full nominal  
value as from the 1st October  
1925.  
By order of the Board,  
**H. TAGGART,**  
Managing Director  
Hongkong, July 17, 1925.

### INDIA CONGRESS.

(Reuter's Service.)  
Patna, Sept. 24.  
The All India Congress committee  
has rejected Mrs. Besant's Com-  
monwealth of India Bill which was  
not seconded.  
The committee passed a resolu-  
tion sympathising with the Chinese  
and protesting against the employ-  
ment of Indian soldiers to suppress  
their movement for freedom. It  
also condemned the action of the  
United States Government in re-  
fusing a passport to Bakarat, an  
expressed sympathy with the In-  
dians of South Africa and deposed  
that it was proposed to pass  
the Union Parliament was man-  
ifestly a breach of the 1924 settle-  
ment.

### NOTICES.

**THE CHINA LIGHT AND  
POWER COMPANY (1918),  
LIMITED.**

**WITH** reference to the Notice  
to the Shareholders of this  
Company dated 6th May, 1925,  
whereby a Final Call of \$3.00 per  
share was made payable on the  
1st October, 1925, the General  
Managers have decided, in view  
of the conditions prevailing at  
present, to extend the time for  
payment of this Call.  
Notice is accordingly hereby  
given that the date for payment  
of the Final Call is extended to  
the 3rd November, 1925, and that  
the Form of Bankers' Receipt  
already sent to Shareholders can  
be used as though the date named  
therein were the 3rd November,  
1925.  
For THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER  
CO. (1918), LTD.  
**SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 18th Sept., 1925.

**FOR THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER  
CO. (1918), LTD.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 18th Sept., 1925.**

#### PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY LIMITED.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**  
that a first call of \$4.00 per  
share has been made upon all  
members holding shares upon  
which \$1 per share only has been  
already paid, and that the same  
will be payable to the Bankers of  
the Company, Hongkong and  
Shanghai Banking Corporation at  
Hongkong on or before the 2nd  
November, 1925.  
**JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 23rd Sept., 1925.

#### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry  
Forms for the Sixth Extra Race  
Meeting to be held on Saturday,  
October 10, and Monday, October  
12, 1925 (weather permitting)  
may be obtained at the Race  
Course, Hongkong Club, and  
Causeway Bay Stables.  
Entries will close at 12 o'clock  
noon on Saturday, September 26,  
1925.  
Hongkong, Sept. 14, 1925.

### TENDERS.

**TENDERS** are called for the  
removal of night soil, twice  
daily, from the Rifle Range and  
W/T Station, Stonecutters.  
Apply Commanding Officer  
H.M.S. "Tamar" for particulars  
and conditions, etc.  
**R. A. YONGE,**  
Lieutenant Commander.  
Hongkong, 17th Sept., 1925.

### NOTICE.

**HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC  
SOCIETY.**  
**REHEARSALS** for the produc-  
tion of "Iolanthe" in Decem-  
ber next are now being held in  
St. John's Cathedral Hall on  
**MONDAYS** at 5.15 p.m. and  
**THURSDAYS** at 8.30 p.m. There  
are a few vacancies in the chorus,  
especially for ladies.  
**J. W. JEFFORD,**  
Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, 23rd Sept., 1925.

### REMOVAL NOTICE.

**WE** beg to inform our Custom-  
ers that we will remove our  
business to No. 19, Queen's Road  
Central, 1st floor, (above A. Ling  
& Co.) from 1st October next. The  
new premises are well ventilated  
and we hope to give our customers  
greater comfort and also hope  
they will continue to extend to us  
their kind patronage.  
**CAMPBELL MOORE & CO.,**  
Hair Dressers.  
Hongkong, 21st Sept., 1925.

**QUEEN'S  
SUPER  
CINEMA**

Daily at  
2.30,  
5.15,  
7.15,  
9.15.

Sundays  
at  
6 p.m.,  
7.30,  
9.15.

Change of Programme  
Tuesday—Thursday—Sunday

**TO-DAY and TO-MORROW**

**FIRST NATIONAL**  
presents  
**ANNA Q. NILSSON**  
and  
**MILTON SILLS**  
in  
**REX BEACH'S**  
**THRILLING DRAMA OF THE OIL FIELDS**  
**FLOWING  
GOLD**

**THEATRE ROYAL.**

**ONE CONCERT ONLY**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3rd, 9.15 p.m.**  
**A. STROK**  
presents  
**MISCHA LEVINSKI**  
**PHENOMINAL PIAVIST**  
**IN AN EXCELLENT PROGRAMME**  
**OF**  
**MASTER MUSIC**  
**STEINWAY CONCERT GRAND USED.**  
**BOOKING AT MOUTRIE'S.**  
**\$4, \$2 and \$1.**

## BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

**Dentist.**  
**HARRY FONG, Dentist.**  
1st floor, No. 74, Queen's Road  
Central. Tel. Central No. 1255.

**Engineers & Shipbuilders**  
**W. S. BAILEY & CO., LTD.,**  
Engineer and Shipbuilder  
Kowloon Bay.  
New Work and Repairs  
Call Flag "L"

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**KWONG SUN & CO.,** 58, Queen's  
Road Central, Ko Chi Chung  
(Manager), Kwong King Him  
(Asst.). Tel. Central 3189.

**Land & Estate Agents.**  
**PUN YICK CHO, Land & Estate**  
Agents.  
Tel. Central 911-1887.  
35, Queen's Road Central.

**Modistes.**  
**MADAME FLINT,**  
31, Queen's Road Central.  
Tel. Central 589.  
(latest Parisian models)

**Optician.**  
**THE HONGKONG OPTICAL CO.,**  
Phone 2232.  
63, Queen's Road Central.

**Photographers.**  
**MEE CHEUNG, Photographer.**  
23, Ice House Street.  
Beaconsfield Arcade Branch,  
Developing & Printing under-  
taken.

**Printers.**  
**"THE CHINA MAIL" General**  
Printers.  
Publishers and Bookbinders.  
5, Wyndham Street. Tel. C. 22.

**Ship Chandlers.**  
**E. HING & CO.,**  
25, Wing Wo St. Tel. C. 1178.  
Metal Merchants and Ship  
Chandlers.  
Managing Director—Mr. H. S.  
CHIN.

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Repairing & Soling, etc.  
WONG SHI WONG  
21 Pottinger St. Phone 1174

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## POST OFFICE NOTICE.

Postage stamps should be affixed in the right-hand top corner of the address  
side of all postal articles.  
The public are advised that correspondence intended for Canton will if  
superimposed "By Train" be transported by the mail closed at 8.15 a.m. daily and  
forwarded by the 9.15 train from Hongkong.  
The Radio Office has reverted to its normal working hours, viz.:  
G.P.O. Office, 1st floor, G.P.O. Building, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Radio Office, 3rd floor, G.P.O. Building, 8 p.m. to 8 a.m.  
Radio Traffic with Canton is suspended until further notice.  
Interport Radio Telegrams are subject to delay of 4 hours.  
Messages in code must have name of code used included in text.  
REGISTERED and PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the  
time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close  
at or before 5 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 a.m. on the  
previous day.

### INWARD MAILS.

FROM FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25. FOR

Manila ..... 5 p.m. Pros. Pierce  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.  
Europe via Siberia (London 4th Sept.) & Shanghai..... 11 a.m.  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.  
EUROPE via Negapatnam, (Letters & Papers London  
37th Aug.) ..... 5 p.m. Pros. Jackson  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3.  
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai..... 5 p.m.

### OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25. FROM

Shanghai ..... 5 p.m. Lubow  
Fort Bayard ..... 5 p.m. Batavals  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.  
Manila ..... 7.15 a.m. Kinahan  
Canton, (Correspondence specially super-  
scribed "By Train" only) ..... 8.15 a.m. Train  
Bungkok ..... 8.30 a.m. Ewington  
Japan ..... 10.30 a.m. Samarang Maru  
Manila ..... 2.30 p.m. Smaedoro Maru  
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada,  
U.S.A., C & W. America & EUROPE  
via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Fran-  
cisco 30th Oct. and Europe via Siberia  
(Correspondence specially super-  
scribed "By Train" only) Parcel Post  
Registration 9.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... 5 p.m. Pros. Pierce  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.  
Szechow, Amoy and Formosa ..... 9 a.m. Hsiao Maru  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.  
Manila ..... 5 p.m. Pros. Folk  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29.  
Manila, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S.  
Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via MAR-  
SEILLES—due Marseilles 30th Oct.  
Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.  
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central  
& South America & EUROPE via  
VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C.  
30th Oct. Parcel Post, Registration  
9.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. Pros. Medlow  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1.  
Manila, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central  
& South America & EUROPE via  
VICTORIA, B.C.—due Vancouver B.C.  
31st Oct. Parcel Post, Registration  
9.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. Pros. Medlow  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1.  
Manila, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central  
& South America & EUROPE via  
VICTORIA, B.C.—due Vancouver B.C.  
31st Oct. Parcel Post, Registration  
9.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. Pros. Medlow